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DAILY FLOAT (AUGUST)
AUG. 1943

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AMGOT/5021/GS.

AMGOT HQ. - Belg.

31 August, 1943.

Subject: Road Construction and Repair.

To : S.C.A.O. - Hossana.

1. The copy of the attached memorandum explains the agreement between AMGOT and Seventh Army with regard to highway construction and repair.
2. Immediate steps should be taken to have all civilian provincial agencies responsible for such work which have not already resumed their normal functions to do so.
3. Representatives of Seventh Army will call upon you for assistance in conformity with this agreement.

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CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lt. Col. G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMCOT/5021/C3.

AMCOT HQ. - Jolly.

31 August, 1943.

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To : S.G.A.C. - Tregani.

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CHARLES M. SICKFORD,
Lt. Col. G. S. C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

DEPT/5000/22

DEPT. OF THE ARMY

11 August, 1945.

Subject: Inter-Provincial Bridge Repair.

To : S.C.A.O.
Trapani.

1. Seventh Army will not undertake responsibility for such repairs as are mentioned in your letter of 24 August, 45.

2. Work in reconstruction of the bridges mentioned should be started as soon as possible. Arrangements should be made between the Provincial Engineers of Trapani and Palermo Provinces, determining between themselves the responsibility of the respective provinces for construction and financing of the joint bridge at Marsala.

Per Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

CHARLES E. SPENCER,
Lt. Col. U. S. A.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to S.C.A.O. - Palermo.

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Subject: - Camp for released Yugoslav prisoners.

AMGOT/299/10.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY

31 August, 1943

To: - All S.C.A.O.'s

A camp for Yugoslav prisoners released in Sicily has been established in Palermo.

Please notify all C.A.O.s and advise them to communicate with Public Health Division (Public Welfare Section) AMGOT Hdq's should any of these released Yugoslav prisoners needing help come to their attention, through you

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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SUBJECT: Financial Proclamations.

AMGOT/1006/EL.

TO: A.P.H.Q.
For Assistant Financial Adviser.

30th August, 1943.

Reference your message F.39 dated 28/8 and this HQ.
AMGOT/22/10 dated 17/8, the proclamations in question were despatched
to you under separate cover on 20/8/43. As they appear to have gone
astray however, two copies each of Proclamations Nos. 3, 5, 10 and 12
and General Orders Nos. 1 and 2 are enclosed herewith as requested.

AMGOT HQ.
15 Army Group.
FW.

CHARLES H. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Colonel, GSC.
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMCOT/5027/03
AMCOT HQ SICILY
31 August 43.

Subject: Cesare Loria, payment

To : Capt. Harrison,
22 Via Salvatore, Muccio.

It is recommended that the bearer, Cesare Loria, be paid 2,000 lire as compensation and expenses for 9 days of service in a professional capacity for the Civilian Supply Division, Aug 19 to 27 inclusive.

JHP:EDG.

J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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TO: Lt. Colonel R. Hill, S.I.O., Agrigento

FROM: S.I.O.

30 August 1943

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AMGOT/4036/L

SUBJECT: Petition for Clemency of Maso Antonio.

(1) I have read the appeal for clemency addressed to the Military Governor by Maso Antonio in favour of his son Pietro.

(2) The facts are that before our occupation on 28 June 1943, Pietro Maso was convicted of having committed two thefts and was sentenced to four years imprisonment. It does not appear from the statement that the verdict was determined by any political or anti ally considerations.

(3) I am of the opinion that it is not proper for our Administration to interfere with the normal course of Italian Justice when sentences are not influenced by anti ally, racial, religious or Fascist motives.

(4) Pietro Maso has still the right of appeal before the Court of Palermo and if the facts set forth in his father's letter are true, he will no doubt be granted a reduction of sentence.

The C.S.A.O. is not prepared to recommend the Military Governor to exercise his right of pardon until in this and similar cases all other legal remedies have been exhausted.

W.O. CHAMBER
Lt. Col. AUS
Chief Legal Officer

AMGOT 15)
15th Army Group

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AMEOT/5011/CS
AMEOT HQ SICILY
31 Aug 43.

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To: Lt. John Atkinson,
C.A.O. - Iarocara FRIGAL

1. Replying to your inquiry of 30 Aug 43 concerning Manganara fuel dumps. No withdrawals should be permitted except upon my order from these supplies excepting those amounts that are needed by you locally.

2. It is my intention to move the entire supply into a Palermo Depot in the very near future.

3. A rationing system is being prepared which will cover distribution over the entire Island. Civilian Supply Division is making arrangements for import of necessary supplies. There are many other supplies besides Manganara and you should not be misled by the pleas of those seeking fuel. All requests should be cleared through Provincial C.C.A.O.s in any event who secure their supplies from AMEOT HQ.

CRM:EDG.

CLAUDE R. MINARD
Capt., G. M. P.
Civilian Supply Division.

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Subject:- Cases of Juvenile Offenders.

AMGOT/4034/L

To: All Senior Legal Officers (Through S.C.A.O.s)

31 Aug. 43.

It has come to the attention of the Chief Legal Officer that arrests have been made of juveniles under 18 years of age who have violated AMGOT ordinances, laws or regulations.

1. (a) In these cases it is requested that the following procedure be followed:-

(i) That upon the arrests of minors and prior to trial, a copy of the charges will be given the nearest Public Welfare Officer of AMGOT.

(ii) The Welfare Officer will procure or cause to be procured such information regarding the minor as may bear upon the case and will forward such information before trial together with a recommendation for use by the Judge in making his decision.

(iii) Such investigations and reports to the Judge will be made by the Welfare Officer at the earliest possible time in order not to delay the hearing unnecessarily.

(iv) The Welfare Officer will report back to the court on every case brought to his attention, even though no information on the individual in question can be furnished.

(v) Juveniles will be released pending trial on such conditions as may seem appropriate whenever possible. In those cases where detention of the juvenile is necessary, he or she must, if at all possible, be held in a place separate from those housing adult offenders.

(b) If the court feels that the juvenile over 16 years of age is of maturity, both physically and mentally, this individual could be dealt with as an adult offender after taking into consideration his limited experience.

(c) That judges of the military courts will base their procedure in hearing the cases of minors under 17 upon the accepted practices of juvenile courts in Britain and the U.S., namely:

(1) That first consideration be given to rehabilitation of the child instead of punishment.

(ii) That where parents seem to be responsible persons the child

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- (1) That first consideration be given to rehabilitation of the child instead of punishment.
- (ii) That where parents seem to be responsible persons the child be given an opportunity for readjustment in his own home under strict supervision of the parents or the police.
- (iii) That where it is necessary to place the child in an institution, he be committed for an indefinite period to a school for juveniles, such as Centro Rieducazione Minorenni, until such time as the school decides that he will refrain from further delinquency and is ready for release.
- (iv) That the hearings be held informally in a closed chamber instead of open court.
- (v) That in cases of commitment, a court record of the case be forwarded to the institution together with any recommendations which may have been made regarding treatment.

2. In the case of minors under 18 tried by the courts of Italy, copies of the records indicating the dispositions of such cases shall be forwarded promptly to the Public Health Division (Public Welfare Section)

AMGOT H.Q.,
15 Army Group

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W. CHANIER,
Lt. Col. (AUS). Chief Legal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
Office of the A. C. of S., G-2
APO #758

23 August 1943.

MEMORANDUM TO : Chief of Staff.

Recommend that attached request (Prince Alvaro
Alliuto) be referred to AMQOT for action.

OSCAR W. KOCH,
Colonel; G.S.C.
A.C. of S., G-2.

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Subject:- Transport.

AMGOT/2174Q.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY.

31 August, 1943.

Mons. Salvatore De Gaetano,
Archivesgovado Di Palermo,
Segreteria.

Sir,

I am directed by Major-General Lord Rennell of Rodd to acknowledge your letter of the 30th, and to inform you that he has given instructions for the two Fiat cars mentioned in your letter, to be allowed to remain in your possession.

I remain Sir,

Your obedient servant.

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Major,
Military Assistant,
to Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

PUBLIC SAFETY TO SEE.

C.B.O. TO SEE.

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Subject: Ente di Co. Misazione del Latifondo Siciliano.

AMGOT/6007/CP.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY.

31 August, 1943.

Andrea Finocchiaro Aprile,
via Cavour, 112,
Palermo.

I am directed by Major General Lord Rennell to
acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th August, and
to inform you that the questions raised are being examined,
and that you will be advised in due course.

[Signature] Major,
Military Assistant,
to Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMCOT FILPOTDate 31 August 1943Telephone 19113
(Orig. Officer)

Classification

SECRETPrecedence Priority(Restricted-Confidential-Secret) (Deferred-Routine-
Priority-Urgent)TO: CG, NATCHUA.

LOOMIS PATRICK, JAGD, 0918876, CAPTAIN CITE NAAGE
PAREN FROM AMCOT SEVENTH ARMY TO NATCHUA FOR CG FOR MCMERRY
CITE AMCOT 195 PAREN LANDED ORAN 23 MAY 1943 ON BEATRICH TEXAS.

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Time signed: _____

Content and classification
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AMCOT/5011/CS
AMCOT HQ SICILY
31 August 43

Memorandum

To: Lt. Atkinson
CAO Locara

This authorizes 50 drums of naphtha to be withdrawn from the Mongara dump upon additional authorization to be presented under the authority of Lt. Asquini of Galtanissetta.

CLAUDE R. MINARD
Capt., C. M. I.
Transportation Officer
Civilian Supply Division

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Subject: Correspondence.

AMCOT/219/110.

AMCOT H.Q. STOLEY.

31 August 43.

M.C.S.
A.F.H.Q.

Please have attached letter forwarded.

 Major,
Military Assistant,
to Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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AMGOT/46/HQ

AMGOT HQ. SICILY

31 August 1943

Rag. Germano Ferrarini,
Via Umberto I^o - No. 451,
Roccalumera.

1. I am directed by Major General Lord Rennell, Chief Civil Affairs Officer, to acknowledge your letter dated 16 August, 1943, addressed to General Alexander.

2. The contents of this letter have been noted and the expression of willingness on your part to cooperate are appreciated.

3. I am, however, directed to point out that political activity is wholly prohibited by the Allied Military Government and that no note can be taken of your remarks on Sicilian independence. You are cautioned against any action which might infringe the foregoing principle.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer

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AMMOT/3001/11
AMMOT IN STOCK
31 August 43.

To: Lt. Mario Bonini,
c/o Major Hunt, Civil Supply Division,
AMMOT, Catania.

Will you request FORTRAN to call forward to Catania by telegraph to 15 Army Group and/or A.P.H.Q., the AMMOT D + 45 stockpile now at Algiers. The breakdown of that stockpile is as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Short Tons</u>
Flour	2956
Potatoes (or substitute)	739
Milk, evaporated	441
Meat and Vegetables	185
Sugar	145
Soap	31
TOTAL:	4,306

By Order of Lt. Col. Smith:

WILLIAM L. HUNT, JR.
1st Lt., Infantry
Civilian Supply Division.

Distribution: 15 Army Group
(Attention Col. Thorne-Thorne)
Military Government Section, A.P.H.Q.
(Attention: Capt. Todd)

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AMGOT HQ SICILY.

31 August 1943.

Subject: Disposition "Voce del Padrone".

To: Assistant Controller Property
through SCAO Palermo Province.

1. Acknowledge letter 27 August above subject.
2. Inasmuch as manager is available it should not be treated as abandoned property. It was never treated as Allied property by Italian Government in any sequestration proceedings, and the meagre information does not seem to warrant us treating it as Allied property.
3. Therefore suggest advising manager we have no present interest in this property.

JAMES M. BOVARD,
Capt. A.C.,
Acting Deputy Controller of Property.

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ANGOT/204/HQ
ANGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 1943

Dr. Aurelio Attardi
Via Sabotino 15
Palermo

Sir,

Your letter regarding the officers you requested released has been sent to this Headquarters for action.

It is the policy of the American Forces in Sicily to release only soldiers and non-combatant officers (such as Chaplains and Doctors) whose permanent residence is in Sicily.

With the exception of 2nd Lt. Saverio Miroddi, all those mentioned by you are combatant officers and will not be released. If you will send full information on Dr. Miroddi, his place of residence and so on, he will be released provided he is necessary to the civilian welfare and provided he has not already been evacuated.

Yours truly,

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer

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AMCOT/204/PQ
AMCOT HQ SICILY
30 August 1943

Matteo Maniscalco
Via S. Lorenzo 46
Carini

Sir,

Your letter of 25 July has been referred to this Headquarters.

It is the policy of the American forces in Sicily to release only soldiers and non-combatant officers such as Chaplains and Doctors. Occasional exceptions are made when a commissioned officer is deemed essential to the civilian economy.

At the present time there is not sufficient evidence to put your son in the latter category. I shall be glad to notify you of any change in the situation.

Yours truly,

FLC
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMGOT/5972/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43.

Subject:- Società Anonima Imprese Elettriche Molinasse (Agrigento Prov.)

To: S.C.A.O., Agrigento Province.

1. The above electric company operates a hydro generating plant at Molinasse with distribution systems at Santo Stefano, Quisquina, Bivona, Alessandria della Rocca, Cianciana and S. Biagio Platani, all in Agrigento Province.

2. The property has been the subject of litigation with respect to ownership of stock and right of control. It appears that the Fascist, by their usual methods gained control, but upon our invasion left the island, leaving in the hands of an irresponsible clerk (name unknown), the administration of the company.

3. It has been recommended that we should take control of the company on an "ad hoc" basis through the Controller of Property, appoint a manager who would manage the company under our supervision, and keep records of the transactions during our administration. 6-8-1

4. In the meantime as soon as the civil courts are re-opened, the rightful owners can take such steps as they deem suitable to re-establish their alleged rights.

5. It has been suggested that Prof. Giocchino Carotenuto of Termini Imerese, former manager of the property now living at Bivona, is a proper person to be appointed manager and is available. Due to his familiarity with the property, it would appear that he can do the job. Stockholders are willing to act as his surety.

6. Request that this matter be investigated and this office informed.

- a. Is contemplated control by Controller of Property recommended?
- b. If Prof. Carotenuto is found not to be the proper person to manage the property, is there some other competent person in the locality available?
- c. Is the electric plant and system now in operation?

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J. F. R. SMITZ
Lt. Col., C. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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AMCOT/46/HQ

AMCOT HQ SICILY

31 August 1943

Subject: Sicilian Independence

To : Mr. Andrea Pinocchiaro-Aprile,
via Filippo Cordova, 15,
Palermo.

1. I have been directed by Major General Lord Rennell,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer of Sicily to acknowledge receipt
of your letter dated 25th August, 1943.

2. The views expressed by you have been noted.


CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

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AMCOT/5 /03
AMCOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43

To: A. Hugo Belmonte,
Via Napoli 23
Palermo.

Referring to your letter of 22 Aug 43. Your request
can not be granted at this time.

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CLAUDE E. MITCHELL
Capt., C. M. P.
Civilian Supply Division.

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ABEOT/5016/03
AMNOT HT SIGHTLY
30 August 43.

Subject: Assignment of Enlisted Men

To : Chief Staff Officer
(Attention Major McDougall)

Report is made that Pvt. Asward Ouyd, ASN 32426257,
Jeep driver, be assigned to Civilian Supply as interpreter,
and request he be given rank SER 405, Technician Fifth Grade.

EDC:

J. F. P. WHITE
Lt. Col., U. S. G.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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AMGOT/5005/GS 1st Ind.
AMGOT HQ SICILY, 15 Army Group 30 August, 1943

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To: Hiram S. Gans, 1st Lt., F.O. AMGOT

1. As reported to S.G.A.O. the commune was unable to pay for the cards and only wanted to buy a portion. I could not permit this as the cards were consecutively numbered.

2. Before the matter could be settled by Serial Palermo I was ordered to report to AMGOT HQ. I left the cards in the possession of my successor in Ribera.

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CLAUDE R. MINARD
Capt., G.M.P.
Civilian Supply Division

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
Office of the A. C. of S., G-2
APO #758

23 August 1943.

MEMORANDUM TO : Chief of Staff.

Recommend that attached request (Prince Alvaro
Alliuto) be referred to AMCOM for action.

OSCAR W. KOCH,
Colonel, G.S.C.
A.C. of S., G-2.

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AMCOT/226/HQ

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

30 August 1943

Thank you for your letter of the 26th July about J. Chancellor.
I have sent his name to the Directorate of Civil Affairs at the War Office,
since I cannot deal with applications out here of people who are in England.

I hope you are well. Why don't you tell me what you are doing?
If ever I get back I would like to see you.

Kenneth Bell Esq.,
10, Central Flats,
Warwick Road,
Coventry.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS.OUTGOING MESSAGEOffice of Origin AMCOT FIELD
(Section)Date 30 August, 1964Telephone _____
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(Deferred-Examine-Priority-Urgent)TO: HEADQUARTERS

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OTHER MESSAGE OF WORK FROM AMCOT SEVENTH ARMY FOR HEADQUARTERS FOR
 CIVILIAN. ON AUGUST 163 PAGES RE: YOUR AM/0204.2 OF 27 AUG. GRASSHILL
 VISIT AND WORK-OUT.

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Time Signed _____

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REMARKS: SEVENTH DIST - DIST. CLAS. 78111000

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin SEVENTH DIST Date 30 August 1943
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 (Orig. Office)
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TO: AIRC

ESSENTIAL TANK OIL FOR EXPORT (.) FURNISHING ABOUT ONE TON FROM SEVEN
 ONE ABOUT 100 PAPER (.) REMARKS: FOUR 7872 ONE FROM 20 ABOUT (.) ONE
 FIVE METRIC TONS AVAILABLE IN TEN DAYS FROM DATE OF ORDER ADDITIONAL THREE
 FIVE METRIC TONS AVAILABLE IN ONE MONTH FROM SAME DATE (.) FURNISHING OTHER
 CONTACT THREE PERCENT (.) ASKING PRICE TWO ONE ZERO LBS PER KILLO TOTALING
 THREE ONE FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZERO LBS FOR ONE FIVE TON SHIPMENT PACKED
 FOR SHIPMENT IN TWO ZERO ZERO LBS BARRELS FOR PALMED (.) SHIPMENT DATES
 ARRANGED (.) WILL ADVISE ANY ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES AVAILABLE

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SECRET (A) - MOST SECRET

AMCOT/5061/CS
AMCOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43

Subject: Citric and tartaric acid

To : G-4, AMHQ

Reference: AMCOT/163

1. The above telegram was dispatched yesterday requesting that AMHQ advise PINEBANK and AGUAR, Attention Civil Affairs, that 100 tons of citric acid and 40 tons of tartaric acid had been loaded on board the HY 763 "Isaac Coles" and consigned to the Commanding General, New York P.O. It. This was loaded in response to a request by AM 7 Army for ballast.

2. The citric acid was shipped in 1,000 100-lb. barrels and 1,250 80-lb. sacks; the tartaric acid was shipped in 805 100-lb. barrels. The total weight of the shipment was 280,220 lbs.

3. The asking price for the citric acid was 22,000 Lire per ton and for the tartaric acid, 23,000 Lire per ton, f.o.b. Palermo. This comes to a total of 5,120,000 Lire or 31,200 Dollars exclusive of the cost of shipping to the U. S.

4. For the information of Civil Affairs, AGUAR, this shipment is from the Arenella Chemical Company at Palermo, who claim to be the largest citric acid producers in the world. Most of their records have been destroyed by bombing, but they state that their agents for some transactions in the U. S. have been Charles L. Inisking, Inc., 5 Platt St., New York City, and that in 1940 they exported some essential oil to the U.S. Rubber Company. At their request we put on eight 100-lb. barrels with samples of other commodities produced by them, the data for which is attached.

5. We would like to request that Civil Affairs, AGUAR, be asked to arrange for the distribution of this and future shipments in accordance with whatever policy and price prevails for these commodities in the U.S. We request that this headquarters be advised of the proceeds from the sale of this and future shipments. It is suggested that any such receipts be credited to the AMF account in the War Department. We would like to be advised if our letter of 14 August 43, AMCOT/5019/CS, addressed to Commanding General, AMHQ, suggesting that a cable be dispatched to the Combined Chiefs of Staff, with regard to the commencement of export trade, has been received and whether a reply has come in from Washington. Meanwhile we are continuing with preparations to commence export trade.

AFHQ advise PERMAN and ACTAR, Attention Civil Affairs, that 100 tons of citric acid and 40 tons of tartaric acid had been loaded on board the NY 763 "Isaac Coles" and consigned to the Commanding General, New York F.O.B. This was loaded in response to a request by ARS 7 Army for ballast.

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3. The asking price for the citric acid was 22,000 Lire per ton and for the tartaric acid, 23,000 Lire per ton, f.o.b. Palermo. This comes to a total of 3,120,000 Lire or 31,200 Dollars exclusive of the cost of shipping to the U. S.

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Distribution: MCS, AFHQ

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CHARLES L. HUISLING

Lt. Col., G. S. C.

Chief Staff Officer

SECRET (A). MOST SECRET (E).

26th August 1943

SAMPLES OF ALBERTELLA'S PRODUCTS

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A.) This case contains:

1 kg. pulpy concentrated lemon juice	at L. 25,-	p/kg. Foo. Arancanella
1 " " " orange "	" " 45,-	" " "
sweet orange dried peels in cups	" " 10,-	" " "
bitter " " " slices	" " 10,-	" " "

B.) In barrels forwarded apart:

1 barrel lemon pulp	at L. 3.50	" " "
1 " sweet orange pulp	" 6,-	" " "
1 " bitter " "	" 6,-	" " "
1 " sweet orange brine	" 5.50	" " "
1 " bitter " "	" 5.50	" " "
lemon essential oil	" 210,-	" " "
1 " sweet orange slices (conserved in 302)	" 5.50	" " "
1 " bitter orange slices (conserved in 302)	" 5.50	" " "

The mentioned prices are intended for goods delivered at our Establishments including package.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTPOST MESSAGE

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Secret) (Deferred-Action-Priority-Urgent)

TO: 15 ARMY GROUP.

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AGREED THAT CIVIL LABOUR WAGE SCALES SHOWN FOR HUNTER IN 114 FORCE
AND THEN 20 SUITABLE AS GUIDE FOR AVAILABLE. PAPER FROM AMCOT
SEVENTH ARMY TO 15 ARMY GROUP CITE AMCOT 431 PAPER. REFERENCE 15
ARMT GROUP MESSAGE 5301A 290005Z TO C.G. SEVENTH ARMY AND H.Q.
AMCOT. RATES SENT A.F.H.Q. BY HAND MAJOR GROUP CONSULT HONORARY.

File Signed _____

Content and classification
authenticated by W. H. H. H. H. H.

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AMGOT/5021 JS
AMGOT HQ SOCIETY
30 August 43.

To: Major George W. Haley,
Civil Affairs Officer,
Palermo.

1. The payment of additional money for hazardous work was an emergency measure, and should be discontinued.
2. For your information, Finance Division Headquarters has instructed Istituto di Previdenza Sociale to stop paying such benefits.

DM:

DAVID A. MORSE,
Capt., A.C.
Labor Section,
Civilian Supply Division.

Leaf 6368

785015

Subject: - Civil Enquiries.

AMOT/241/HQ.

AMOT H.Q. SICILY

30 August, 1945.

S.C.A.O.
Messina Province.

1. This H.Q. has had an enquiry on the present whereabouts and health of the following :

VINCENZO BOTTARI
VALERINO BOTTARI
MARIA CAPRINO BOTTARI
FILOMENO LOMBARDO BOTTARI.

2. The address is given as Taormina.

3. Any information you can furnish this H.Q. will be appreciated.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject:- Civilian Enquiries

Howe Jolly
AMGOT/241/12.

AMGOT H.Q. SECRET.

30 August, 1943

S.C.A.O.
Catania Province

1. This H.Q. has had enquiries about the whereabouts and health of BEATRICE BOTTARI.
2. Her address is given as Catania.
3. Any information you may be able to elicit would be appreciated.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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2047.

Subject:- Civilian Enquiries.

AMGOT/241/HQ.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY

30 August, 1943.

B.C.A.O.
Palermo Province.

1. Request for information has been received on ELIZABETH MANIUSO and husband PLACIDO MANIUSO and 3 children living at Villino China, 26, Via Notar Bartolo, Palermo.
2. Any news you may have would be appreciated.

Flat
by CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject:- Civilian Enquiries.

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AMEOT/241/HQ.

AMEOT H.Q. SICILY.

30 August, 1943.

S.O.A.C.
Regina Province.

1. This H.Q. has had request for information as to whereabouts and health of:

DON FABRIZIO LANZADI MAZZARINO/CONTE DI ASSARO
of VITTORIA.

2. Any news you may have would be appreciated.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject: Civilian Enquiries.

Mont 2045
AMGOT/244/HQ.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY.

S.C.A.O.
Catania Province.

30 August. 1943.

1. This H.Q. has had request for information as to whereabouts and condition of the Swiss Consul in Catania.
2. A further enquiry as regards the Swiss Colony in general in Sicily.
3. In the event of the Swiss Consul in Catania being found, his comments should be forwarded to H.Q.

St
ROBERT M. SPOFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, C.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMC 1/2030/E
AMCOT HQ SICILY
30 August 1943

SUBJECT: Claims

TO: H.Q. No. 4 Claims Commission c/o 6 B.S.A.

Your reference 4CH/1/0/1.

1. In reply to paragraph 4 of above reference this H.Q. wishes to have a copy of the Claims Instructions as well as a copy of all recent Directions.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOTTORD,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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**SUBJECT: Release of Lieutenant in Italian
Medical Service.**

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AMCOT/3018/HL

AMEXT LIAISON,
15 ARMY Group.

AMEXT H.Q. SICILY.

29. Aug. 43.

1. This H.Q. requests the release of Lieut. VERONICA now stationed in the Field Hospital at BRINTE, Province of Catania.
2. Lieut. VERONICA is a surgeon of note with a practice in Palermo. He has done very valuable work in the forward area during the recent fighting.
3. A report on your action is awaited.

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58.
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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Copy to: G.C.A.O. Palermo,
AMEXT H.Q. Catania,
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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMSTOT FILIPOT

Date 30 August 1943

Telephone _____

Classification SECRET
(Restricted-Confidential-
Secret)

Precedence: PRIORITY
(Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

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TO: A.F.H.Q.

INDICATIONS ARE THAT BRUSH MAY REQUIRE TWENTY OFFICERS FROM HERE BAKEN FROM AMSTOT SEVENTH ARMY TO AFHQ FOR MEN FOR MOSHERRY CITE AMSTOT 176 PAGES AND ADDITIONAL SIXTY TO COMPLETE FROM NORTH AFRICA CONSIDERABLY EARLIER THAN ANTICIPATED WHEN MOSHERRY LEFT HERE. ADVISE IF THIS NUMBER CAN BE AVAILABLE NORTH AFRICA AND IF SO WHEN THEY MAY BE EXPECTED BYEACHONE.

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authenticated by:

Time signed: _____

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Subject:- Cases of Juvenile Offenders.

AMGOT/4034/I

To: All Senior Legal Officers (Through S.C.A.O.s)

31 Aug. 43.

It has come to the attention of the Chief Legal Officer that arrests have been made of juveniles under 18 years of age who have violated AMGOT ordinances, laws or regulations.

1. (a) In these cases it is requested that the following procedure be followed:-

(i) That upon the arrests of minors and prior to trial, a copy of the charges will be given the nearest Public Welfare Officer of AMGOT.

(ii) The Welfare Officer will procure or cause to be procured such information regarding the minor as may bear upon the case and will forward such information before trial together with a recommendation for use by the Judge in making his decision.

(iii) Such investigations and reports to the Judge will be made by the Welfare Officer at the earliest possible time in order not to delay the hearing unnecessarily.

(iv) The Welfare Officer will report back to the court on every case brought to his attention, even though no information on the individual in question can be furnished.

(v) Juveniles will be released pending trial on such conditions as may seem appropriate whenever possible. In those cases where detention of the juvenile is necessary, he or she must, if at all possible, be held in a place separate from those housing adult offenders.

(b) If the court feels that the juvenile over 16 years of age is of maturity, both physically and mentally, this individual could be dealt with as an adult offender after taking into consideration his limited experience.

(c) That judges of the military courts will base their procedure in hearing the cases of minors under 17 upon the accepted practices of juvenile courts in Britain and the U.S., namely:

(1) That first consideration be given to rehabilitation of the child instead of punishment.

(ii) That where parents seem to be responsible persons the child

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 - (1) That first consideration be given to rehabilitation of the child instead of punishment.
 - (ii) That where parents seem to be responsible persons the child be given an opportunity for readjustment in his own home under strict supervision of the parents or the police.
 - (iii) That where it is necessary to place the child in an institution, he be committed for an indefinite period to a school for juveniles, such as Centro Rieducazione Minorenni, until such time as the school decides that he will refrain from further delinquency and is ready for release.
 - (iv) That the hearings be held informally in a closed chamber instead of open court.
 - (v) That in cases of commitment, a court record of the case be forwarded to the institution together with any recommendations which may have been made regarding treatment.

2. In the case of minors under 18 tried by the courts of Italy, copies of the records indicating the dispositions of such cases shall be forwarded promptly to the Public Health Division (Public Welfare Section)

AMCOT H.Q.,
15 Army Group

W. V. Chandler
W. CHAMBER,
Lt. Col. (AUS), Chief Legal Officer.

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AMCOT/266/H

AMCOT HQ SICILY

30 August 1943

Memorandum for: D.C.S.O.
Col. Clough
Major Smith
Major McDougall
Capt. Ferrer

Effective immediately distribution of instructions to S.C.A.O.S., General and Special Administrative Instructions and all other matters from this HQ of general interest to C.S.A.O.S., should include S.C.A.O. of 5th Army - Lt. Col. Harvey Gerry, acting - and Col. E. E. Hume, 5th Army.

For security reasons the address of Col. Hume should, until further notice, be:

Col. E. E. Hume, AMCOT
c/o M.C.S., A.F.H.Q.

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CHARLES E. SPAFFORD
Lt. Col., C.S.O.
Chief Staff Officer

AMEOF/5000'S
AMEOF IN SIGHT
30 August 43.

Memorandum for S.C.A.O. - Trapani.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 26 August,
subject: Grain From Agrigento.

2. It is impossible at this time to obtain a coaster
for such shipments. You will have to make the necessary
transportation available for this haul. It is suggested
that you make Marsala a rail head and truck into there.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer:

J. F. R. SEITZ
J. F. R. SEITZ
1st. Col., C. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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SUBJECT:- Civilian Medical Supplies.

Brig. General F. J. McSherry,
C/o Military Government Section,
A.F.H.Q.

AMCOT/5060/CS.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

30. Aug. 43.

We are without information as to whether requisitions for Medical supplies have been submitted to A.F.H.Q. for Regions 2 and 3. However, the following estimates of medical supplies for these regions are submitted for your information and such action as may be necessary. These supplies should be delivered on or before D + 30. Estimates are based on a three months period for 3/10 of the population.

- Area 2: 40 CAD Basic Medical Units.
1 CAD Supplemental Biological List.
30 CAD Supplemental Tropical Unit List (items 10846, 13890, 14625, and 1K60100 only)
6 Units Basic Issue Quartermaster Sanitary Supplies with additional amounts for Mediterranean Area.
2 Unit Basic Issue Engineer Corps Sanitary Supplies with additional amounts for Mediterranean Area.
- Area 3: 25 CAD Basic Medical Units.
1 CAD Supplemental Biological List.
6 Unit Basic Issue Quartermaster Sanitary Supplies with additional amounts for Mediterranean Area.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Col. C.S.C.D.
Chief Staff Officer.

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~~AMCOT/76/HQ~~
~~AMCOT HQ SICILY~~
30 August 1943

SUBJECT: Intelligence

TO: M.G.S., AFHQ

1. Reference your memo of 29 Aug 43, this H.Q. is extremely grateful for the prompt arrival of these documents which have been forwarded to AMCOT, 8 Army.
2. It would be very much appreciated if a further copy of each could be sent for use in this H.Q. where they are almost equally urgently needed.
3. Receipt is attached.


T. FARLEY SMITH,
Lt. Colonel.

for C.S.O.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

✓ 6625 Baseband

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AMGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 45.

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Egregio Sig. Zava,

Prego la s/v di recarvi presso il sig. Giuseppe Fiore
e figli, Piazza SS. 40 Martiri (c.d. Via Maqueda), ad
investigare la situazione della forza elettrica, e farvi
sapere se si può fare degli arrangements per suddetta
forza.

Vi Ringrazio,

CH

J.C.J. HAYES,
Lt. Col.
Civilian Supply Division.

EDG:

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AMGOT/1016/ES

AMGOT HQ SICILY

29 August 1943

6352

Subject: Unauthorized Releases.

To : Chief of Staff, Seventh Army

1. Your attention is directed to the attached report involving the arrest as prisoners of war, two members of the Carabinieri. In paragraph three of the attached report, it will be noted that Vice Brigadier Carlo Mariani had in his possession a parole application signed by 2nd Lieutenant Joseph R. Vicarini, C.M.P.

2. It is recommended that this case be investigated and appropriate action taken insofar as personnel of your command may be involved. Action is being taken in respect of AMGOT personnel involved.

Encl.

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

SUBJECT : Fire Services - GERDA
ALIMINUSA
MONTMAGGIORE
ALIA.

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AMLOT/1003/PS
AMLOT H. I., Sicily.
28 August, 1943.

TO : C.A.O. Palermo Province.

In view of the reports from
C.A.O's of the above Companies, it is not
proposed to augment or alter the Fire
Fighting arrangements.

C. H. L. Mason

C.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire & C.D. Section
Public Safety Div.

Copy to: C.A.O. GERDA
ALL INUSA
MONTMAGGIORE
AL A.

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SUBJECT: C.D. - SALERMI

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AMCOT/1004/PS
AMCOT HQ. Sicily,
28th. August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report of S.A.O.
it is felt that Comune should pro-
vide earth closets at each of the
air raid shelters, and arrangements
made for emptying same ^{as} required.

No further action appears
necessary.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. - SALERMI.

6350

SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation -
CAST. MAMARRE

Hoat

AMGOT/1004/PS
AMGOT HQ. Sicily
28, August 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report from C.A.C.
it is suggested that arrangements
should be made to give some form
of air raid warning, either siren or
church bell.

A watcher should be on duty
nightly to give the alarm.

It is felt that no further
action is justified at present.

G.H.L. MASON,
Major,
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.C. - CASTELLAMARRE.

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SUBJECT: C.D. - CALATANI.

Hoat

ABJOT/1004/PS
AM OF HQ., Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report of C.A.O.,
it is felt that some air raid warn-
ing by church bell or whistle might
be instituted.

No further action appears to
be necessary.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. - CALATANI.

6348

SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation - FAVIGNANA.

Hoat

ANGOT/1004/PS
ANGOT HQ; Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report from C.A.O. it is felt that commune should be urged to provide earth closets at the shelters.

Arrangements for re-housing homeless should be completed, and emergency feeding scheme worked out.

Paid workers are not advisable under Italian C.D. scheme.

Warning scheme should be completed.

Question of supply of Stirrup Pumps will be considered later.

Tunny "factory" should be urged to provide fire fighters, and organise their own C.D. scheme.

I would like to comment on the excellent report submitted and prompt action taken by C.A.O.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Section
Public Safety Division

Copy to : C.A.O. - FAVIGNANA.

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SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation -
MAZARA DEL VALLO.

Host

AMGOT/1004/PS
AMGOT HQ., Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : S.S.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report from C.A.O.
it is felt that the only action
needed at present is that earth
closets be provided at the shelters
and doors be fixed to shelters and
arrangements be made for unlocking
them in event of raid.

G. H. L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. - MAZARA DEL VALLO

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SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation -
CASTELVETRANO and
CAMPOBELLO.

Hoat

AMCOT/1004/PS
AMCOT HQ., Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report from C.A.O.
it is felt that Comune should be
urged to provide earth closets at
shelters according to numbers of
people.

No further action appears to
be called for at present.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to C.A.O. - CASTELVETRANO and
CAMPOBELLO.

6345

SUBJECT: C.D. VITA.

Host

ANGOT/1004/PS
ANGOT HQ., Sicily
28, August 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report of C.A.O., it is felt that some form of air raid warning should be improvised such as the ringing of the church bell, and men should be on duty each night to carry out the warning.

No further action appears to be necessary.

G. H. L. Mason

G. H. L. MASON

Major

Fire and C.D. Sec
Public Safety Div

Copy to C.A.O. - VITA.

6344

SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation -
PARTANNA and S. MINPA

Hoat

AMCT/1004/PS
AMCT HQ., Sicily
28; August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report from
C.A.O., it is felt that no action
is called for.

G.H.L. Mason

G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Section
Public Safety Division

Copy to : C.A.O. - PARTANNA and
S. MINPA.

SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
SALEMI.

Hook

AM OT/1003/PS
AM OT HQ. Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of the report from
C.A.O. of this Commune it is felt
that no action need be taken at
present.

The question of provision
of trailer pump will receive con-
sideration later;

G. N. L. Masci
G.N.L. MASCI
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. - SALEMI.

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SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
CAMPOBELLO
CASTELVETRANO

Host AMGOT/1003/PS
AMGOT HQ. Sicily
28 August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. TRAPANI

In view of the report of
C.A.O. it is felt that no action
is called for in this case.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON

Major

Fire and C.D. Section
Public Safety Division

Copy to : C.A.O. CAMPOBELLO
CASTELVETRANO

SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
VITA. ()

Hook

ARGOT/1003/PS
ARGOT HQ. Sicily
29, August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI

In view of report of C.A.O.
Commaune should be urged to construct
4 more static tanks in suitable sites
near heaviest risks.

An officer from this dept.
will visit and advise if required.

The question of provision of
trailer pumps will be considered
later.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON *Mason*
Fire and C.D. Sec
Public Safety Div

Copy to : C.A.O. - VITA.

SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
Calata Imi. *hook*

AMGOT/1003/PS
AMGOT HQ. Sicily
29 August 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O. Trapani.

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C.A.O. of this Commune it is felt that
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G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
MAJOR

Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. Calatafimi.

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SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
PARTANNA and S. NINFA.

Woot

ANGOT/1003/PS
ANGOT HQ. Sicily
28 August 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of report of C.A.O.
it is felt that no action is called
for in this case.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. - PARTANNA and S.
NINFA.

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SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
Mazara del Valle.

Hoast AMGOT/1003/PS
AMGOT HQ. Sicily
28 August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. TRAPANI.

In view of report of C.A.O.
it is felt that no action is called
for in this case.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec
Public Safety Div.

Copy to : C.A.O. MAZARA DEL VALLO.

SUBJECT: Fire Fighting Services -
CASTEL MARNE.

float . AMCOT/1003/PS
AMCOT Hq. Sicily
28 August 1943

TO : S.C.A.O. TRAPANI.

In view of report of C.A.O.
it is felt that no action is called
for in this case.

G.H. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Sec.
Public Safety Div.

Copy to: C.A.O. CASTELMARNE.

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SUBJECT : Fire Fighting Service - TRAPANI

AMCO, 103/PS

ARMED H. V., SICILY.

28 August, 1943.

TO : S.C.A.O., TRAPANI.

In view of the report of this Section's Inspecting Officer, it is considered that the following action should be taken:-

1. The H.Q. and Fire Station should be restored to the Fire Brigade.
2. The attitude of the Commandante should be watched.
3. The Static Tank taken by the Army should be restored to the Fire Brigade and the Commandante should instruct two more static tanks of 50,000 litre capacity, at sites selected by Commandante. Member of this staff will visit again if desired and assist.
4. The remarks in this summary should be noted, please. The question of provision of Trailer Pumps will receive consideration later.

The above answers the enquiry made in your letter (undated) received on 28 August, 1943.


C. B. L. MASON
Major
Fire & C.B. Section
Public Safety Div.

Copy to: C.A.O. TRAPANI.

Sloat 2024
Subject: - Lighting - Villa Camartia.

AMFOT/209/NQ.

AMFOT H.Q. STOLIX

29 August, 1943.

Lieut-Colonel, Charles Poletti,
S.C.A.O. Palermo.

The electric light at Villa Camartia, Corso Calatafinni, the residence of Brigadier-General McSherry is turned off nightly at 21.50 hrs. In addition to light, the power is used for pumping water.

Could arrangements be made with the Electric Light Coy. so that the light is not turned off nightly please?

Charles H. Sportford
for CHARLES H. SPORTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMGOT/5064/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43

Memorandum

To: Supply Officer, Enna
(Thru: S.C.A.O. Enna)

1. Reference is made to your letter of 28 August, subject, Edible Oil.
2. Information indicates that there is surplus oil in Messina Province. You have permission to contact the SCAO of Messina to arrange for the necessary import if still available.
3. Referring specifically to paragraph 2 of the above reference, you may raise the price of oil to the retailer to 20 Lire. I would appreciate a report on this change, stating whether or not it has brought oil on the market.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

W. F. R. Smith

W. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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(In Reply, S.O.A.S.O. Roma)
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For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

W. J. F. R. Smith
J. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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SUBJECT:- EMERS.C.A.O.
Catania Province.REC'D 2/HQ.REC'D H.Q. SICILY.30. AUG. 43.

Your Ref. CAT/13/1 dated 9.Aug.43.

1. An enquiry was made consequent to receipt of report of S.C.A.O. for Catania.
2. An explanation from the officer who was at that time C.A.O. for Marianopoli has been received.
3. He stated that when the event referred to occurred he was C.A.O. for seven communes covering a 70 mile area. He was lacking in transportation, and owing to the physical impossibility of personally signing all passes had given the Sindaco authority to sign passes. The pass in question had been signed by the Sindaco of Marianopoli, but the Sindaco had shown bad judgement in this instance and had further not followed the C.A.Os. orders as to the issuance of passes.
4. As regards the marauding party which was a result of the Sindaco's having issued a pass so ill-advisedly, H.Q. agree that such activities shall cease and that appropriate steps are taken to prevent their recurrence.
5. This H.Q. has also received a letter from the S.C.A.O. for Galtanissetta stating that in his opinion the Officer could not have acted otherwise than he did.
6. In view of the foregoing this H.Q. considers that the matter should now be closed.

EC
CHARLES H. SHOFFERD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to:- S.C.A.O. Galtanissetta (2)
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AMGOT/5092/US
AMGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43.

Memorandum.

To: Major B.D. Nash,
Finance Division (Revenue)

Reference your memo of 29 Aug. the records of the Italian communication agencies under this section's jurisdiction, are at the moment held by H.Q. Seventh Army. Release of these documents is awaited daily, and the details you require will be forwarded when this release is made.

L.D. DENSMORE,
Lt. Col., Signal Corps
Industries & Resources Sec.
Civilian Supply Division.

LMD:EDG

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30 August 1943.

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WIND FIGHTING FORMERLY IMMEDIATELY FOR A12a (.) THOUGH NCA (.) PAPER
FROM ABOVE 7th ARMY TO TROOPERS EXPLORED AND EAST FOR CIVIL AFFAIRS
CASE ABOVE 177 PAPER.

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ANGOT FILFOT.

30 August 1943

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NO KNOWLEDGE MAPPLEBROCK (.) RANEN FROM ANGOT 7th ARMY TO FREEDOM
FOR MGS CITE ANGOT 178 RANEN. YOUR 6122 CITE FRINGS DATED 26 AUG.

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MILOT MILPOT.

30 Aug 43.

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MILPOT.

IS 146995 T/CAPT W.H. SHENWOOD, R.E. POSTED TO THIS H.Q. FOR DUTY AS
SEANT CAPT "A" AS REQUESTED OUR AMCOR/240/HQ OF 20 AUG (.) PARIN FROM AMCOR
7th ARMY TO MILPOT REPEATED INS. AFTER CITE AMCOR 130 PARIN.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMST WILFOT Date 30 August 1943
 Telephone _____
 Classification SECRET Precedence: ROUTINE
 (Restricted-Confidential-Secret) (Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

TO: 15 Army Group

NO QUESTION ALLOWING PERSON COMMUNICATE WITH MAINLAND. PARMEN
 FROM AMST SEVENTH ARMY TO FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP CITE AMST 179 PARMEN.
 REFERENCE YOUR 5102A OF 27/8 CITE 1/239. HE REMAINS IN NURSING HOME
 UNDER OBSERVATION. G-2 CONTACTED.

Content and classification
 authenticated by:

Time signed: _____

Copy to: G-2 7th Army. (Major Carter)

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AMCOT H.Q. SMOLEY

28 August 43.

AMCOT/5024/CS.

During the course of dinner on 25th August, you very kindly offered to assist in any way possible, the feeding of the local population. At that time I promised I would call on you for any assistance I needed from the Seventh Army.

Since then, I have been informed that the Seventh Army has some stocks of captured German and Italian foodstuffs. My Director of Supply informs me that he has contacted your G-4 Section and that arrangements for the turnover are proceeding satisfactorily. We plan to use these for operations to take place in the near future.

Thank you for your personal interest in this problem.

Sincerely yours,



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Lieut-General George Patton Junr.
Lt. Gen. Seventh Army.

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AMCOT/2003/PS

AMCOT HQ SICILY

25 August 1943

Subject: Fire Fighting

To : S.C.A.O., Palermo Province

Today the Supt. of Fire and Civil Defense Section of this Division had occasion to visit the Fire Station at TERMINI IMERESE. This is a substation of the Palermo Brigade.

It was found that there was no supply of water to the Brigade's tank. The Podesta had taken two members of the Brigade to drive his car and generally wait on him. He had also removed from one of the Brigade's trucks two wheels for use on his own car.

The Supt. saw the C.A.O. of the town and he is giving these matters his immediate attention.

[Signature]

Lieut. Colonel
Acting Commissioner of
Public Safety - AMCOT

Copy to: C.A.O.,
Termini Imerese

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AMCOT/5049/CB
AMCOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43

Subject: Italian Export Organization

To : Lt. Beriszi
c/o Civil Supply Division
AMCOT Catania

1. I have heard for the coordinating of exports from this side of the island a Dr. George Fols formerly of Messina who was sent to me by C.I.C. He was previously the chief inspector of the I.C.E., which was the Italian foreign trade institute whose job it was to inspect all exports from Sicily to see that high standards were maintained. He was also Agricultural attache to the Italian Embassy in London from 1939- to 1940. His knowledge of the exporters of Sicily seems to be very good, especially since he looks at them all with a jaundiced eye. His information about Ecco de Foco checks very closely with the information you gave me.

2. Dr. Fols tells me that the I.C.E. representative in Catania was one Signor Onida and in Syracuse a Signor Luciano. He does not know whether or not they are still there but he says that any of the exporters would know where they can be found. I suggest you try to get these people as your export chiefs for those respective areas if they seem promising when you interview them because my present plan is to set up the I.C.E. as the export organization for the island.

3. Dr. Fols says that the exporters have to be watched like a hawk because they are always trying to put something over on the purchasers and I.C.E. by various deceptive practices.

4. I would appreciate hearing from you to get your reactions to these two men and to the idea of using the I.C.E.

WLB:jfl

J. F. E. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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WLB:jfl

J. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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AMCOT/5062/CS
AMCOT HQ SICLIX
30 August 43.

Subject: Price of Horses and Mules.

To: S.C.A.O., Galtanissetta.

Referring to your request of 26 Aug 43. Any information that I might obtain concerning prices of horses and mules in Palermo Province would not for many reasons indicate what the price should be in Galtanissetta. I suggest that the only reasonable way of determining what the price should be is through a local investigation.

J. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., C. S. C.
Director Civilian
Supply and Resources.

CAL:RXG.

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SUBJECT:- Board Meetings.

Commanding General,
U.S. Seventh Army (attention G4).

AMCOT/5029/GS.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

29. Aug. 43.

1. With reference to conversation on 28. Aug. 43 (Lt. Col. Seitz - G4) when the question of setting up a Resources Board for Western Sicily was discussed, it is suggested that it would be advantageous to institute such a board without delay.
2. The Board would discuss and decide upon matters such as wholesale prices of food stuffs to Army and Navy, labour questions, engineering and public works, use of power and railways etc.
3. It is suggested that the first meeting be held at 1400 hrs., Saturday, 4. Sept. 43. Would you please say if you can send a representative on this date, or alternatively suggest another date. The Conference Room at AMCOT H.Q. could be made available for the meeting, if you agree.

Handwritten: "Lead" 1965 & 1964

Signature: J.F.R. Seitz.
Lt. Col.
Director of Civilian
Supplies and Resources.

Copy to:- C.O., U.S. Naval Operating Base,
Palermo. (Will you please consider,
and, if you agree, send a
representative to such
meeting.)

6325

SUBJECT:- Soap Factory Requirements.

AMGOT/5012/OS.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY.

29. Aug. 43.

S.C.A.Q. - CALTANISSETTA.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 25.Aug.43, same subject as above.
2. No stocks of the requested articles are available at this time. Your letter has been filed and when imports are available it will be given consideration.

Hoat (1967)

J.F.R. Seitz

J.F.R. Seitz.
Lt. Col.
Director of Civilian
Supplies and Resources.

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AMFOR/5025/CS
AMFOR HQ SIXTH
30 August 43.

Memorandum for S.C.A.O. - Caltanissetta.

1. Reference is made to your letter of 27 August 43, subject: Material for Water Conduits.
2. None of the requested material is available. However, if concrete conduit may be used as a substitute, it is felt that it may be furnished. This will necessitate the molding of these in your province. If this appears feasible, please let us have your estimate of amounts required.

NDG.

J. F. R. SMITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian
Supply and Resources.

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AMT/5011/CS
AMT/5011/CS
29 August 45.

To: C.O. 18 Mobile Petrol Filling Centre.

1. Debit advices have been received from you for 11,36 gallons of A.G.O. costing £75 - 0 - 9, supplied on indent from Major Pether, C.A.O. Lantini.

2. Will you please say if the fuel supplied was from Army stocks or from captured enemy dumps (napta?).

lt. Col. R.A.S.G.,
Civilian Supply Division.

Copy To:- Major E.G. Pether (please report to this office on type of fuel and general use to which it was put).

EDG.

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Island Resources Board

AMGOT/5029/CS

H.Q., AMGOT 15 AREA GROUP

29th August 1943.

Dear

Colonel

I am afraid that the question of an Island Resources Board has hung fire for a few days owing to absences on the part of the people interested on this side.

Now, however, we have arranged with U.S. Seventh Army to hold a first meeting of a "western" resources board to correspond with the one at your end of the island; the meeting will be held during the coming week, and as soon as this is under way we will write to you and suggest a joint meeting of representatives of both boards.

I hope that you agree with this - the idea was to take this end a bit carefully at first.

Yours sincerely

CH

Col. Turner,
DA & CMG,
Fort Base.

Hoat 1956

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AMCOT/5004/CS
AMCOT HQ SHILOH
28 August 43

Memorandum

To: Brigadier Director of Supplies and Transport
AMCOT, S.E. Branch

1. With reference to your 64 SE of 19 August 43 and Financial
Advisers SM 11503-2 FA of 20 August 43, although AMCOT has fixed
wholesale as well as retail prices, that does not mean that the
Army is forced to buy at retail prices.

2. I agree that there should be competitive tendering wherever
possible, but purchases should never be made at prices higher than
those fixed by AMCOT.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

JFL

ds
CHARLES W. SPOTFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

Distribution:

Brigadier Financial Advisor, British

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To: Brigadier Director of Supplies and Transport
 AFHQ, S.C. Bunnah

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For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer,

JPL

ds
 CHARLES H. STAFFORD
 Lt. Col., G. S. C.
 Chief Staff Officer

Distribution:

Brigadier Financial Advisor, British

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AMGOT/8/HQ
AMGOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43.

Subject:- Civilian Communication Supplies.

To:- Chief Signal Officer, 15th Army Group.

1. During the initial phases of the occupation of Sicily, Allied troops seized and carried away quantities of signal stores belonging to the state and S.E.T. In many cases, receipts were not given and it is felt that many of the seized items cannot be used by the Armies.

2. At the present time, heavy demands are being made on S.E.T. for stores; and in the near future it will be called in to rehabilitate and put into operation the island telephone system. Due to the seizures by troops and the impossibility of importing this equipment, S.E.T. will not have supplies to do this work. This matter is urgent, for after return of supplies, they must be distributed in store rooms located at critical points on the Island.

3. Therefore it is recommended:

a. That all Signal units of the 15th Army Group, of the U.S. Seventh Army and of the British Eighth Army submit a list of all stores which were seized, and all such stores which are still on hand.

b. That all stores now on hand which are not required for immediate military needs be returned to S.E.T. at once. A list of such stores to be submitted.

c. That further demands for stores, except those urgently required for immediate military needs, cease at once.

d. That a receipt be given for all stores received, and that a copy of this receipt be submitted to Headquarters, AMGOT.

e. That copies of the material lists required in sub-paragraphs a and b above, be submitted to Headquarters, AMGOT.

MXG.

Major General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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Subject: Administration RESUTTANO.

AMCOT/3/HQ.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

29 August, 1943.

To: S.C.A.O.
Palermo Province.

1. This H.Q. is directed to inform the S.C.A.O. Palermo that Resuttano is henceforth to be under the provincial administration of Palermo.
2. A C.A.O. is to be sent there immediately.
3. The S.C.A.O. Palermo is to advise S.C.A.O. Erma of action taken.

CS
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Copy to: S.C.A.O. Caltanissetta
S.C.A.O. Erma.

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Subject: Administration RENUTTANO.

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AMSCOT/3/HQ.

AMSCOT H.Q. SICILY

To: S.C.A.Os. Caltanissetta
Bnn.

29 August, 1943.

1. This H.Q. has studied the position of Renuttano.
2. It is directed that this town will in future be administered under S.C.A.O. Palermo.

Charles E. Stafford
CHARLES E. STAFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to:- S.C.A.O. Palermo.
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AMCOT FILMOT

29 August 1943

CONFIDENTIAL

ROUTINE

A.F.H.Q.

FIFTY YUGO SLAVE NOW CONCENTRATED IN PALERMO IN CAMP UNDER ALLIED CONTROL. PARISH FROM AMCOT 7th ARMY TO AFHQ FOR AMG CITE AMCOT 175 PARISH. REFERENCE YOUR 4167 OF 21st AUGUST 1943. ANTICIPATE LIBERATE FURTHER 250 IN FEW DAYS. ESTIMATE SEVERITY FIVE PERCENT FIT AND ANXIOUS JOIN ARMED FORCES. CONSIDER DR. BERISLOV ANJURILJONE AND RICHOLD MAGIN ATTACHE OF YUGO SLAV FOREIGN OFFICE FIT FOR PA WK WORK IN LONDON OR CAIRO.

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SUBJECT: AMC Courier Service.SECRET.AMCOT/257/HQ.AMCOT R.E. SIGNS.23. AUG. 43.

S.C.A. Co. ACRICHERO.
CALTANISSETTA.
CATANIA
ENNA
MESSINA
PALESTRO
RAGUSA
SIRACUSA
TRAPANI

1. It has been represented that the Courier Service should stop not only at S.C.A. Co. H.Q. as at present, but also at those C.A. Co. offices which are on routes A, B, C, or D, (para. 5 of this H.Q. letter AMCOT/257/HQ dated 24. Aug. 43 refers).

2. If S.C.A. Co. wish these calls to be made will they please submit to this H.Q. a suggested time table giving detailed timings at the places affected. These detailed timings should fall within the time allowed on the present time table, which was drawn up to continue during the winter months when days will be shorter and running slower owing to rains etc.

3. These suggestions should be sent to this H.Q. as soon as possible and without waiting for the report called for in para. 14 of the above letter.

W. H. P. 6314
 CHARLES H. SPOTFORD.
 Lt. Col. G.S.C.
 Chief Staff Officer.

Copy To: American Transport Officer (for information).

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CONCLUSION

A. F. H. Q. RECD 15 APR 1963

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DESIRE FLOUR ON ALL FUTURE INVOICE FOR ABOUT CIVIL SUPPLIES.(.)
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A.F.H.O. RECD 15 APR 1968

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*Approved
by
C.D.*

SUBJECT: Hospital - Situation of Soap

To: All Senior and Central Area
Health Officers.
(Priority A-2-A-22)

Final
DATE/2011/11
FROM: H. J. SHELLEY.

20 AUG. 63

1. It is noted from various reports that certain hospitals are urgently in need of soap.
2. If specific cases are forwarded to this Headquarters (Public Health Division) each will be carefully considered.
3. While there can be no general issue of a soap ration the needs of hospitals are recognized.
4. The number of beds and average number occupied will be stated in every case.
5. Only bona fide cases will be considered.

D. Gordon Chiles

D. GORDON CHILES.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

Distributions:-
Osteria.
Erim.
Symeon.
Ragusa.
Palermo.
Caltanissetta.
Trapani.
Agrigento.
Messina.

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Spokane
10/11/45
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10-11-45

Memorandum for the Director of Public Health

**Re: All Member of Council Agent
Health Officers.
(Special Inspection)**

1. It is noted from various reports that certain hospitals are urgently in need of camp.
2. If specific cases are forwarded to this Department (Public Health Division) such will be carefully considered.
3. While there can be no general issue of a camp unless the needs of hospitals are recognized.
4. The number of beds and average number occupied will be noted in every case.
5. Only bona fide cases will be considered.

D. C. Macdonald
L. D. C. Macdonald
Colonel
Director of Public Health

Distribution:- Ontario.
Iowa.
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New York.
New Jersey.
New England.

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Stout

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AMCOT/5055/CS
AMCOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43

Memorandum

To: S.C.A.C. Palermo

The attached is forwarded for your information.

JFL

J. F. R. Seitz
J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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ANGOT/5053/CS
ANGOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43

Memorandum

To: S.G.A.O. Messina

The attached is forwarded for your information.

JFL

J. F. R. Seitz

J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

6311

SUBJECT:-- Report of Military disorder in MILITARY.

ANGOT LIATSON,
15 Army Group.

Attached is copy of report which C.C.A.O. has directed be transmitted to M.G.A., 15 Army Group, with his compliments.

Hoat 1860
ANGOT/1001/PS.

ANGOT H.O. SIGTIE.

29. Aug. 43.

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CHARLES M. SPOTFORD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Moab 1678
Subject: Office of Working facilities.

AMCOT/268/HQ.

AMCOT H.Q. STOLLY

27 August 1943.

To: S.C.A.O.
Catania Province.

1. Attached is a letter for your information and action if you consider it advisable.
2. We await your comments.

[Signature]
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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Clout 1877
Subject:- Sicilian Independence.

AMGOT/HQ.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY

29 August 1943.

To: S.O.A.O.
Caltanissetta Province.

1. This H.Q. has received your note of 26th August, 1943, and G.I.C. Report.

2. At present AMGOT policy is very definite as regards forbidding all publishing of political pamphlets and forbidding meetings of Independent Sicily Groups.

3. All Sicilians suspected to be active in this movement are to be warned to desist from any activity whatsoever.

4. They are to be threatened, when necessary, with serious retributive action if they, to our knowledge, persist in their activities.

CS
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

EvH. 6308

Hoat 1470-4
Subject: Consular Officials.

AMCOT/75/12

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

22 AUGUST 43

S.C.A. Co. CATANIA (2)
MESSINA (2)
PALERMO (2)
SYRACUSE (2)

Please forward to this H.Q. a list of any Consular Officials who may still be in the above mentioned cities. This information is required by 15 Army Group.

(T.B)

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: AMCOT LIAISON
(Your AL/4/252 of 26 August refers)

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BY FAST AIR.

Subject: Moves.

flour 1869
AMCOT/5046/CH.

AMCOT H.Q. SECRET

26 August, 43.

Lieut. Dario Barizani,
c/o Civil Supplies (Major Monk)
AMCOT,
Catania.

Corporal Visco of this office was ordered to report to me at Catania after taking two truckloads of flour to Messina on 25th August. If he shows up, will you use him to help in the unloading of the "Miriem", and then ship him back here by air if possible.

By Order of Lieut-Col. Seitz.

flour
W.L. BATT, JUNR.,
1st Lieut. Inf.,
Civilian Supply Division.

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Front

AMGOT/4035/L

29 August 1943

For Capt. A. J. P. Maude
 Manila, P. I.
 Palawan.

SUBJECT: Combined "Colony of Ustian".

- (1) C.I.O. is in full agreement with your suggestion to repatriate to Sicily the "Combined" of Ustian provided you can find adequate transport and suitable premises to house them pending the revision of their trial by a Commission of three officers nominated by the C.I.O.
- (2) All Combined Authorities should be arrested on landing and if the evidence produced during the prisoners' examination is of such nature as to justify their immediate indictment, a General Military Court or a Superior Court as the case may be will be convened forthwith to proceed with their trial.
- (3) Would you please inform this Department at your early convenience the date at which you expect to be in a position to carry out your mission.

9-9-43

AMGOT HQ,
 15th Army Group

W.C. Chandler, Lt Col, C.I.O.

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9-9-44

AMSOB HQ,
15th Army Group

W.C. Chandler, Lt Col, C.I.C.

6305

Subject:- Transport for Italian Judicial Officials.

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S.C.A.O., Palermo.

Attention: Transport Officer.

AMGOT/4001/L.

20th August, 1943.

Could the motorcar Fiat PA 9007 taken over by the Provincial Administration to be placed at the disposal of the President of the Corte d'Appello be released for that purpose.

I understand that on the day the owner was taking the car to Palermo from Casteldiccia for registration, the local CAO seized it for his own use, (Capt. Marshall).

Could the necessary action be taken to straighten out the situation as it is important that Court Officials be provided soon with some means of transportation, as they have not only to attend to their functions but have to call on their office at frequent intervals.

All of them are members of the Italian Advisory Committee appointed by the CCAO and over 60 years of age.

It also belittles their dignity and makes it difficult for them to be respected by their former subordinates of the "Polizia Giudizaria" most of whom enjoy adequate means of transportation.

The second car PA 7238 (Piraino Vincenzo) which was to be requisitioned for the same purpose has never, as far as I am aware, been produced.

I should be very grateful if this matter could be given immediate attention.

AMGOT H.Q.

(Sgd.) W.C. Chanler, Lt. Col.
C.L.O.

W.C. Chanler

AMGOT/5036/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
29 Agosto 43

Memoriale

All'Ing. Zava, Societa' Generale Elettrica della Sicilia

Dietro richiesta del Generale Lord Rennell, vi si prega di far continuare la distribuzione di forza elettrica della Villa Trubia, Via Libertà'.

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Off.
for J. P. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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AMCOT/5005/CS
AMCOT HQ 15 Army Group
Palermo
29 August 43

Dear

Col Story

I have arranged with Enna for the remainder of the 100 tons grain to be milled before it reaches you. Will you please send Cpl. Bishop and the three U. S. trucks back here?

I am sending with this note a truckload of mechanics to help collect, cannibalize, and operate the derelict trucks in your area; they will, of course, help Lt. Viti, but we should like as many trucks as you can let us have to be brought back here. We are trying to form a pool for inter-provincial hauls.

Yours

Sincerely

Lt. Col. S. B. Story,
SCAO Messina.

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SCAO Messina.

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AMGOT/5009/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43.

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Subject:- Lighthouse Operation in Sicily

To:- Commanding Officer, Naval Operations Base, Palermo.
(Attention Commander Revill)

1. With respect to above subject, attached is report of investigation conducted by Capt. J.E. Davis, S.O. of this office.

2. It would appear that the control and supervision of a civilian organization to place in operating condition and operate lighthouses could be handled in a more effective manner by the Navy than by AMGOT. Also this is a matter in which Naval Operation may be involved.

3. AMGOT does not have any personnel available for or familiar with this work. However, we will render such assistance as we are able upon your request.

J. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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AMCOT/5061/CS
AMCOT HQ SECDEF
29 August 43.

Subject:- Priority for Telephone Company Employees in
the Purchase of Bread.

To:- S.C.A.O. - Palermo Province.

1. It is requested the employees of S.E.T., local
telephone company and S.I.E.L.T.E., telephone construction
company shown on attached list, be permitted to purchase
bread at special bakeries from which members of the
Carabinieri are served.

2. It is considered essential that the time of these
telephone employees be not wasted while standing in line
for the purchase of bread.

3. When necessary arrangements have been made,
notify this office in order that telephone officials can
be informed.

IDD: MDC.

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J. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., C. S. C.
Director Civilian
Supply and Resources.

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Hq. ARSOT - Sicily

27 August 43

Subject: Soprintendenze of Galleries and
Series of Art, Antiquities, Monuments,
National Library, Botanical Gardens
of Palermo, and State Archives.

1. In accordance with the agreement of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer there shall be, for the time being, no reduction in the existing staff and administration of the above-named organizations. Salaries will continue to be paid on existing levels, together with minimum expenses for maintenance.

2. Owing to the lack of communications it is not yet possible to centralize in Palermo, the island-wide financing of the various branches of the above-named organizations. In a circular letter, ARSOT/2020/P, dated 22nd August 1943, Provincial Finance Officers were instructed to make advances from ARPA funds to meet the immediate cash shortage for the payment of State salaries.

3. The question of maintenance charges is more difficult, as no estimates are available as to what amount should be advanced for the various activities of the organizations in different parts of the Island and these must be obtained on a provincial level by the Finance Officer in accordance with the above-quoted letter.

4. Funds for salaries and recurrent expenses will be advanced by P.C.'s to the Ufficio Provinciale del Tesoro who is the person who already pays the State salaries and some other sums, and who can receive the sums advanced and pass them into the appropriate accounts of the R. Tesoreria at the Banca d'Italia at the Provincial capital.

5. With reference to the extraordinary expenditures, which are to cover activities in the whole Island, the sum of Lir. 1,128,000 will be advanced by the P.C. to the Ufficio Provinciale del Tesoro at Palermo who will make the following sums available to the different organizations:

a. Soprintendenza alle Gallerie	Lire	220,000
b. Soprintendenza alle Antichità	"	80,000
c. Soprintendenza ai Monumenti	"	500,000
d. Biblioteca Nazionale	"	200,000
e. Orto Botanico	"	8,000
f. Archivio di Stato	"	120,000

The foregoing appropriations represent an advance for extraordinary expenditures for the period ending 31st October 1943.

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Superintendencies of Galleries and
Works of Art, Antiquities, Monuments,
National Library, Botanical Gardens
of Palermo, and State Archives.

29 August 43

6. Records of normal expenditures on salaries and expenses will be maintained in the usual way by each organization concerned - separate records being kept of the extraordinary expenditure. These returns, formerly made to Rome or other headquarters not in territory occupied by the Allied Forces, will be made to the P.O.

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AMCOT/5036/OS
AMCOT HQ STOT
29 August 43.

Memorandum To: Lt. J.D. McGuire
Electric Light and Power Section,
6525th Base Area Group,
Via Bari

1. At S. Flavia a small suburb 15 km. east of Palermo - one Giuseppe Grasianno has a shop where he makes lemon crates. It appears electric power is available without any construction - only a small amount is required to run the shop.

2. Since no construction is required, and the only thing involved is to cut off two or three services, and since this fellow's work has to do with lemons which have been sold to the army - will you ask the Power Company, if they can get Grasianno power.

3. Grasianno's address is: Via Pessillo 51, S. Flavia.

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L.D. DEBBIE
Lt. Col., S. G.
Civilian Supply Division.

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AMCOT/209/HQ

AMCOT H.Q. STOLY.

23th August 1943.

Subject:- Prisoner of War.

To:-
Ragonese Pietro
Genio Civile Palermo
Palermo

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 14th August 1943 has been referred to us.

All information of the type you request is handled automatically. Prisoners-of-War are issued an information card, sample enclosed, which is mailed as soon as possible after his capture. He is then permitted to write one letter a month, a sample form of which is also enclosed.

It is impossible to tell you the whereabouts of your son by any other method.

Sincerely yours,

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CHARLES M. SPOTTORD,
Lieut-Colonel G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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Subject: - Handover of Petroleum.

AMGOT/5011/GS.

AMGOT H.Q. SICILY

28 August 1943.

Memo: For the Commanding General
Seventh U.S. Army. (For attention; G-4 Section, Major Frey)

1. Reference is made to conversation between Lt-Col. Seitz of this H.Q. and Major Frey, Q.M. Section of your Headquarters, 27th August, regarding the turn-over to AMGOT of certain petroleum products.

2. It is requested that the petroleum products at the following listed dumps be turned over to AMGOT as early as possible:

Galtanissetta
Uditore.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

J.F.R. SEITZ,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Civilian Supply Division.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Commanding Officer
U. S. Naval Base, Palermo

ALCOT/5002/CS
ALCOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43

1. There are two surben ships in Palermo harbor that have quantities of coal approximating 5,000 tons as their cargo. I can salvage that coal at 200 lire a ton through the use of a local salvaging concern, if the necessary permission can be granted by you for such operations in the harbor. The coal is vitally needed for transportation and other purposes. Will you advise me if such operations are possible?

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J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

To: Commanding Officer
U. S. Naval Base, Palermo

1. There are two sunken ships in Palermo harbor that have quantities of coal approximating 5,000 tons as their cargo. I can salvage that coal at 200 lire a ton through the use of a local salvaging concern, if the necessary permission can be granted by you for such operations in the harbor. The coal is vitally needed for transportation and other purposes. Will you advise me if such operations are possible?

JFL

J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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AGOT HQ SIBILX
29 August 43

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Subject: New State Property.

To: Assistant Controller Property,
through also Agrigento Province.

The following observations arise on your letter dated 26 August 43, and the preliminary list of enemy state property enclosed therewith.

1. Article V of Proclamation No. 6 only empowers the C.P. to take into his control enemy state property "not for the time being required by any other branch of the Allied Forces". In view of this, you should not have taken formal custody of enemy state property in the occupation of the armed forces and to the extent that you have done, so the Declaration of Custody should be cancelled. The Army authorities should be advised of the cancellation, and informed that so long as they occupy the property, it is entirely their responsibility, and the C.P. is not concerned with it.
2. Enemy state property which the armed forces intend to occupy in the immediate future should be treated in the same way as property already in their occupation, and where you have taken formal custody of any such property you should act in accordance with the instructions contained in para 1 above.
3. Your list includes the Prefettura at Agrigento. As I am advised that Prefettura buildings are Municipal or Provincial and not state properties, and therefore to be regarded as private property (see para 15 of General Administrative Instruction No. 15 - formerly 16), please state on what evidence you have included the Prefettura in your list of state properties. Here again, if you have improperly taken it into custody, the Declaration should be cancelled and the responsibility for the property handed back to the appropriate authorities against their receipt for the contents.

4. Please explain how Paradise Villa became a state property. I have been informed that at one time it belonged to a British subject.

5. The following further particulars and information regarding enemy state properties in the three provinces forming your district are required as soon as possible.

- (a) Nature of Property.
- (b) Present condition.
- (c) Present disposition, i.e., by whom the property is occupied and for what purpose it is being used.
- (d) If not already occupied by the armed forces, whether they intend to occupy it, and if so, when.

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This information should be submitted immediately as regards the Province of Agrigento, and as soon as practicable as regards the provinces of Caltanissetta and Ragusa. You will find that particulars of state properties can be obtained from the Ufficio del Demanio (the office of state lands) in each province. State properties may be found to include lands, forests, ~~quarries~~, mines, etc., as well as buildings, and particulars of the same, as above, are of course required.

Lieut-Colonel,
Controller of Property.

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AMCOT/209/HQ

AMCOT H.Q., SICILY

23th August 1943.

Subject:- Prisoner of War.

To:- Avv. Creste Carella
Direttore del Credito Italiano, Palermo.
Via Roma (Via Episcopio)

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 14th August 1943 has been referred to us.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMNOT/5009/03
AMNOT HQ SICILY
20 August 43

Subject: State Railway, Employment of Personnel by Army.

To: Lt. Col. F.W. Oakie, 727 Ry. Operating Bn.,
Palazzo Ferrovia, Palermo.

1. I have received a letter signed by Tuccio dated 23 Aug. directed to your attention, stating that he has received information that local Army commanders had been employing men formerly dismissed from the service, and new personnel who have had no experience.
2. He suggests that this is not necessary, and in that position I agree. AMNOT has made arrangement to pay railway salaries. In doing so we have impressed upon Tuccio the necessity of not employing new help, and of using existing personnel in any job if their usual one did not call upon them to do anything under present conditions.
3. Tuccio suggests that a general order be issued through proper channels to insure that local Army officers do not hire employees without at least clearing through Palermo in order to determine if there are not employees already available. I concur.

CLAUDE E. MINARD,
Capt., C. M. P.
Transportation Officer
Civilian Supply Division.

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Subject:- Mail for Vatican.

File No 19/HQ

AMCOT HQ., SICILY.

27th August 1943.

To:- M.G.S.
A.F.H.Q.

Attached hereto is a letter to the Vatican from the Archbishop of Messina for favour of transmission through the appropriate channels.

CS
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lieut Colonel G.S.O.
Chief Staff Officer.

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SUBJECT : Unwarranted Gaol Delivery

CONFIDENTIAL
ARCOV/1016/EE
ARCOV HQ, SYDNEY
AUGUST, 1943

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army

1. I forward herewith a copy of a report from Lt. Colonel McGaffrey, Senior Civil Affairs Officer for the Province of Agrigento.

2. It appears that a number of criminals were released by American personnel and from a report of the S.G.A.O. the releases were unjustifiable and the action taken was an unnecessary interference with civil police duties.

3. It is requested that the misconduct on the part of the American personnel be investigated and if substantiated, such action taken as may be considered desirable.

For the Commanding General:

CHARLES M. SPOFFARD
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.
CHIEF STAFF OFFICER

Civil Affairs Office,
Agrigento, 9 August 1943.

TO : CCAC, AMEOT, 15th Army Group

SUBJECT: Unwarranted Gaol Delivery.

1. In the afternoon of August 6th, I was informed by the Chief of the Carabinieri of Agrigento, Captain Di Dio, and the Acting Questore, that a number of persons arrested by their men for serious crimes had been released from prison on the orders of American soldiers.

2. Further inquiry developed the fact that the order for the release of some of them had been signed by a soldier from the local provost marshal's detachment. The PM, Lt. Keith Miller, 40th Engineers, came to my office and stated he knew nothing about the matter. When the name of the soldier was mentioned by the police, he recognised him as one of his men who is acting as an interpreter and called him over at once.

This soldier, Private Salvatore D'Ambrosia, Co. "H", 40th Engineers stated that earlier in the week he had gone to the local prison to make inquiry about an alleged unjustified arrest and had been informed by one of the jail staff that there were a number of good people there who ought to be released. He also learned that another American soldier was there, whom he states he believed to be in charge of the jail, and who informed him that it was proper to release prisoners if he wanted to do so on the ground that they were improperly arrested. At the suggestion of this other soldier whom he said was a member of the local CIC detachment, he signed a release for four persons, including two women.

I called the CIC office and asked the agent in charge to come to my office. When this Agent, Ford, accompanied by Agent Richards arrived, Pvt. D'Ambrosia identified Richards as the man who informed him that he had power to release prisoners and advised him to sign the release.

Agent Richards denied that he gave him such advice. Lt. Miller informed me to-day that he had found a witness who heard Richards make such a statement.

Further discussion developed the fact that other prisoners had been released on orders of the CIC men since the first of August. Agent Richards admitted he had given some such orders. When asked by what authority he had done so, he replied upon the basis of his general orders and powers as a CIC agent. I informed him that I doubted he had any such powers with respect to any prisoners except those arrested by CIC and ordered him to give me a written report by noon of the next day, August 7th, quoting his alleged orders and stating just what he had done and why.

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3. I then gave orders to both the PM and the CIC agents not to release any prisoners, except those who had been arrested on their own authority, and specifically directed them not to interfere with persons arrested by the civil police.

4. I directed the Carabinieri Captain to give me a full written report on the matter. This report was handed to me about 1300 hours, August 8th. It shows that between August 2 and 4th, twenty-two persons, arrested by the Questura's men, and nine, arrested by Carabinieri, had been released on American orders. The release orders for four persons are signed:

"Provost Sgt. D'Ambrosia
1st Lt. Miller
Provost Marshall"

The release orders for eighteen others have been signed with the name of "Robert E. Richards, Agent, CIC, U.S. Army." The release order for another person was apparently countersigned by "Ford, CIC." The responsibility for the release of the remaining persons is not clear from the Carabinieri report.

5. Seven of the persons released were prisoners who escaped in the general jail delivery on the morning after the town was captured. One of these was also charged with "carnal violence". Twenty were charged with "saccheggio aggravato" (understood to mean "found in possession of Italian military property"); three with "saccheggio continuato" (understood to mean "continued looting"); and one with assault on a police officer, another with carnal violence and one with abandoning work.

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6. The report of the Carabinieri Captain indicates considerable looseness in the administration of the prison. Steps are being taken to remove these incompetent civilians.

7. It is requested that this gross misconduct upon the part of Agent Richards GIC be thoroughly investigated and if the charges are substantiated that appropriate disciplinary action be taken.

GEORGE H. MOCHIFFEY
Lt. Col., Inf.
SCAO.

Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

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GEORGE H. MCCAFFREY
Lt. Col., Inf.
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AMGOT/223/HQ

AMGOT H.Q., STOLLY.

28th August 1943.

Subject:- Conference.

To:- AMGOT Liaison.

1. Reference a telephone message from Colonel Gibson received at 2230 hrs 27 August 1943. Please inform Colonel Gibson immediately that CGAO fully approves of the proposal for a conference and confirms the date (1400 hrs on 31 August 1943). This H.Q. will arrange attendance of AMGOT representatives only.

2. CGAO wishes to know names of those coming from 15 Army Group and 8 Army for accommodation purposes.

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for
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lieut Colonel G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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AMDOT/241/EG

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AMDOT HQ, Sicily.

28 Aug. 1943

Subject: Information on Sisters in Sicily requested
by the Chaplain of his Grace the Archbishop
of Malta.

To : The Colonial Secretary, Government of Malta,
MALTA.

1. With reference to your letter dated 27 July, 1943, we have the following report;
2. The Sisters GREGG, GASSAR and GILIA are alive and well in TROINA.
3. Enclosed is a letter from them for forwarding.
4. The others are understood to be at MISTERBIANCO.
5. Should further information be forthcoming it will be forwarded immediately.

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CHARLES M. SCOFFORD,
Lt. Col. G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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On the 25th, American Officer entered the Station of
L'Arma di Partanna Mondelli, taking 25 pistols of various
kinds - brought in by civilians.
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From the office of Civil Police
From the Carabinieri report of
Aug. 26th, 1943

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AMCOT HQ. SICILY.

28 August 1943

Subject: Civilian Enquiries.

To : S.C.A.O. for Palermo.

1. This H.Q. has had a request from Mrs. MARY BOYLE (American born) living in London, for news of her cousins

2. Cousins names:

- (i) DONNA MARGHERITA BORDONARO
- (ii) BARON GABRIELE BORDONARO

Father: Baron Gabriele Bordonaro (Deceased)
Mother: Charlotte Mayres Cardner (Deceased)

Address: Villa Carlotta Alle Croci, Palermo.

3. Mrs. Boyle would also like to know through her cousins what news there is of ANTONIO and VILMA SOPHIA.

4. This H.Q. awaits your information which will be forwarded.

CH
CHARLES M. SPOTFORD,
Lt. Col. G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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ANGOT H.Q. SICILY.
27. Aug. 43.

Dear Colonel,

May I ask you to be so good as to contact the Deputy Paymaster-in-Chief at A.F.H.Q.- Brigadier Briekman, recommending to him the names of the Officers whom you wish to empower to draw cash from British Paymasters.

In the Sicilian operation I arranged for a total of three Officers to be supplied with the booklet Army Form N1488, which entitles them to submit the requisition for cash.

Some action may already have been taken on these lines; and if nothing is known of the personnel, I think it better that it should be handled at your end.

We are still very busy, as I am sure you are.

Yours sincerely,

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Lt.Col. Sutherland,
C/o Military Government Section,
A.F.H.Q.

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AMGOT H.Q. SICILY,
27. Aug. 43.

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Dear Bernie,

Many thanks for your wad of cables and great deal of useful information. To me the most depressing side was the evidence contained in every paragraph of your letter that Algiers is a bottleneck of the worst description.

Tillman and Rooney have already been told to make their next monthly payments to troops in yellow seal and B.M.A. With the demand for the August 27 pay rolls and very large amounts both for ammassi and relief, total visible stocks of all types of lire available to us are alarmingly low. The opening of the banks becomes daily more urgent, and we have now reached the stage where we shall have to use B.M.A. and yellow seal for this purpose believing such action to be covered by the special circumstances mentioned in the directive. Even if we are optimistic about your priority 2 air shipment and the rapid unloading of the water shipments, we shall not have enough available lire to look after the banks, S.C.A.Os. requirements. Many thanks for your good work in helping to clear the tangle; I will let you know what happens as soon as I can.

With reference to your letter of 24. Aug. about International transfers to funds which I have just received. What I should like to recommend is that if and when such transfers are permitted, that they should be centralised in the U.S.A. through some such organisation as the U.S. Treasury, or the Federal Reserve Board, and not sent here in a series of isolated checks which for all we know might bounce. In this connection AMFA could be credited with the lump sum; say monthly in the U.S.A., and would only need to be provided with the names and addresses of recipients in Sicily, and of course of the benefactor; through the medium of the S.C.A.Os. we could arrange to make the necessary remittances.

As regards the case of the Red Cross, I see no reason why the suggested channel of the U.S. Army Finance Officer should not be used and he hand funds, names and addresses to AMFA for distribution. In these circumstances, however, no money would pass through AMFA's books.

General McClure's note on censorship adds weight to the desirability of centralising collection on the other side of the Atlantic.

Yours sincerely,

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Lt. Col. B. Bernstein,
C/o Military Government Section,
A.F.H.Q.

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CONFIDENTIAL

AMCOT/5025/CS
AMCOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43.

Subject: Water Supply - Caltanissetta

To: S.O.A.O., Caltanissetta

1. Reference your request for services of "an Engineer Officer from the Army or elsewhere" to deal with a very difficult water supply problem".

2. We have contacted Engineer of the Seventh Army and were informed that Co B 401st Engineer Water Service Battalion is located in or near Caltanissetta.

3. It is suggested that you contact this unit as the officer may be able to help you.

4. In the event your requirements are not taken care of in this manner, and there are no civilian Water Engineers in your Province, notify this office.

J.F.R. SMITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. O.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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AMCOT/243/EO.

AMCOT T. Sicily.

28 Aug. 1943.

Subject: Civilian enquiries.

To : S.G.A.O. - Galtanissetta.

1. This H.Q. has received request for information on

MARIE TERESE JAVALOYES

Doctor of Medicine and Radiology.

2. She works at the Civilian and Military Hospital, Galtanissetta. She also runs a clinic at 6 Via SALIMI in Galtanissetta.

3. Please inform this H.Q. of her present whereabouts and condition.

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CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Col. G.S.C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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File 1904
 HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY - OFFICIAL MESSAGE
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 OFFICIAL MESSAGE

Office of Origin WEST L.A. DISTRICTDate: 21 AUGUST 1964

Telephone: _____

Classification: SECRET
 (Restricted-Confidential-Secret)Precedence: SECRET
 (Deferred-Business-Priority-Urgent)

TO: ARMY MESSAGE.

ARMY/166

YOUR WIFE FOR THREE ONE FOUR TWENTY FIVE AUGUST ADVISED CALLING
 (FOR ARMY MESSAGE FROM HENRIEL CLIFF ARMY) WIFE TO ATTENTION
 PURCHASE TO PURCHASE AND REPRESENTATIVE ON HENRIEL BOARD THAT
 SET PRISON OF HEAT.

BTTL.

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AMT HQ Sicily

27th August, 43.

Subject:- Intelligence Reports.

To : S.C.A.C. - Enna.

Reference your 7/1/AQ of 25 Aug 43, forwarded herewith is a copy of the P.W. & Home handbook on Sicily to which it is thought that you are referring.

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CHARLES M. STOPFORD,
Lt. Col. G. S. C.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

CATEGORICAL MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMCOT FALCON

Date: 23 Aug 43

Telephone

Classification: SECRET
(Restricted-Confidential-Secret)

Precedence URGENT
(Deferred-Routine-
Priority-Urgent)

TO: FREEDOM Rptd: 15 ARMY GROUP, 7 ARMY, PORTLAND AMCOT/168

ONE ZERO ZERO METRIC TONS CITRIC ACID AND FOUR ZERO SHORT TONS
TARTARIC ACID LOADED AS BALLAST ON ISLAND COAST MY763 TOGETHER
WITH EIGHT ZERO ZERO POUNDS SAMPLES OTHER CITRUS PRODUCTS FOR
FREEDOM FROM RUTHELL CITY AMCOT (.) PRICES QUOTED BY
MANUFACTURER FOR CITRIC ACID TWO TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO LINE PER
TON COMMAN FOR TARTARIC ACID TWO THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO LINE PER
TON (.) SHIPMENT CONSIDERED TO COMMANDING GENERAL PHOENIX (.)
SUGGEST INFORMATION BE FORWARDED AGAIN ATTENTION CIVIL AFFAIRS
AND PHOENIX WITH REQUEST THAT THEY ADVISE US URGENTLY OF PRICES
AGREED WITH CONSUMERS IN UNITED STATES

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SUBJECT:- Encl. 1 Communications.

AMCOT/19/HQ.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

28. Aug. 43.

Military Government Section,
A.F.H.Q.

1. Herewith two packets containing communications from the Archbishop of Palermo addressed to His Holiness the Pope.
2. It is requested that these communications be forwarded through the usual channels.

By command of the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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CHARLES M. SPONTOLD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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24 August 22 1943

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AND NO ONE ELSE. NO. THERE FOR PURPOSE OF THAT AND BECAUSE NO ONE HAD
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*Hoat*ARMY MESSAGE SERVICE - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMCOT FILPOTDate 27 August 1943Classification SECRET

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(Restricted-Confidential-Secret)Precedence: OPERATIONAL PRIORITY(Deferred-Routine-
Priority-Urgent)TO: A.F.H.Q.AMCOT/160

NO REPLY YET TO MY 146 of 26 AUGUST. FOR M.C.S. FOR MOURNERY FROM RETIREMENT
CITE AMCOT. IN VIEW OF SHORTNESS OF TIME IF I DO NOT RECEIVE FAVORABLE REPLY
MY SUGGESTION POLARIS WILL DISPATCH HUNG BY AIR SATURDAY AS RECOMMENDED BY YOU.

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SUBJECT: C.D. Organisation - TRAPANI.

AMCOT/1004/PS
AMCOT HQ., Sicily
28, August 1943

TO : S.O.A.O. - TRAPANI.

In view of the report from a visiting officer from this Section, copy attached, it is felt that the following action should be taken.

The Commandante of the Fire Brigade should be instructed to work out a scheme on the same lines as is operating in PALERMO. For this purpose the Commandante should visit the Commandante of the PALERMO Brigade and study his plans.

The engineer of the Comune should be responsible for the clearing of debris and the pulling down of dangerous buildings which have been bombed.

The Comune should be urged to provide earth closets as required at each shelter, if water closets are not practicable, and arrangements be made for the daily emptying of the earth closets.

The people living in the shelters should be housed, if possible, in deserted houses or disused large buildings.

The Fire Brigade should be responsible for rescue

PAGE TWO

operations and provided with the necessary equipment.

The Ambulances should be located and placed under control of F.B. and R.C. The above answers the enquiry made in your letter (undated) received on 28 August, 1943.

G.H.L. Mason
G.H.L. MASON
Major
Fire and C.D. Section
Public Safety Division

Copy to : C.A.O. - TRAPANI.

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Hand *File*
AMGOT/5016/GS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43.

Memorandum to: Col. Spofford, C.S.O.

1. We are in need of an assistant for Capt. Morse, who is quite prepared to take Lt. Criley.
2. Could you please recall Lt. Criley and assign him to this Division?

EDG.

J. W. R. Smith
J. W. R. SMITH
Lt. Col., U. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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C O P Y

AMGOT/507/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43

Memorandum

To: Lt. Berizzi
c/o Civil Supply, Major Monk
Catania Province

The attached HQ Fortbase letter ref. 1132 Q dated
22 August 43, is forwarded for information and necessary
action.

JFL

/s/ William L. Batt, Jr.
WILLIAM L. BATT, JR.
1st Lt., Infantry
Civilian Supply Division

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AMGOT/5061/CS
AMGOT HQ SICILY
29 August 43

Float

Subject: Supplies of Wheat
To : S.C.A.O. Messina

1. The attached file, AMGOT/5061/CS, is forwarded for your information.
2. As you will recall arrangements were made at the SCAO's meeting in Palermo for Messina to draw grain from Enna, but this must be by agreement between SCAO's. Your trucks will then go as provincial trucks. Individual crossing of provincial lines by communes will not be tolerated.

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J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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AMGOT/299/HQ

AMGOT HQ SICILY

29 August 1943

Memorandum for: Department of Public Health
(Attention: Major Mathews)

Item 22:

Reference memorandum 23. The principle of registering refugees as a first step toward resettling them is approved. However, the memorandum to S.C.A.O.s must be revised and procedure so devised that the burden on them will be minimized. With the shortage of personnel in the provinces, we can expect very little direct assistance from AMGOT personnel. I suggest that the memorandum be redrafted into two memoranda as follows:

- (a) One to S.C.A.O.s directing them to establish under the ~~Italian~~ Assistenza a civilian registration staff.
- (b) Full instructions as to categories of refugees *as well* mechanics, in Italian, for the registration staff.

Revised instructions may be sent with the memorandum (No. 22) for the information of S.C.A.O.s.

Item 24:

(Chief Party)
Please take up with the S. & T. officer the question of whether any of the items in 24 are available locally. Procurement will have to be by local purchase or requisition rather than through Army stores.

CS
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer

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SUBJECT:- Passes.

S.O.A.O.
Catania Province.

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AMCOT/2/12.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

30. Aug. 43.

Your Ref. CAT/13/1 dated 9.Aug.43.

1. An enquiry was made consequent to receipt of report of S.O.A.O. for Catania.
2. An explanation from the officer who was at that time O.A.O. for Marianopoli has been received.
3. He stated that when the event referred to occurred he was O.A.O. for seven communes covering a 70 mile area. He was lacking in transportation, and owing to the physical impossibility of personally signing all passes had given the Sindaco authority to sign passes. The pass in question had been signed by the Sindaco of Marianopoli, but the Sindaco had shown bad judgement in this instance and had further not followed the O.A.Os. orders as to the issuance of passes.
4. As regards the marching party which was a result of the Sindaco's having issued a pass so ill-advisedly, H.Q. agree that such activities shall cease and that appropriate steps are taken to prevent their recurrence.
5. This H.Q. has also received a letter from the S.O.A.O. for Galtanissetta stating that in his opinion the Officer could not have acted otherwise than he did.
6. In view of the foregoing this H.Q. considers that the matter should now be closed.

Chas H. Spofford
CHARLES H. SPOFFORD,
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to:- S.O.A.O. Galtanissetta (2)
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AMCOT/208/HQ

AMCOT H. STOLY

29 August 1943

Memorandum to: Lt. Van Houselom

Has the memorandum on relations between S.C.A.O.s and this HQ, as approved at the S.C.A.O.'s meeting, ever been distributed to S.C.A.O.s or throughout this HQ?

O. S. O.

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AMCOT/208/HQ

AMCOT HQ SICILY

29 August 1943

Memorandum for: Major McDougall .

An office instruction should go out directing all personnel to sign in and out with you for all out-of-town trips. With cars assigned to Divisions there is no way of checking the location of personnel without some system of signing out.

C. S. O.

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AMCOT/5016/CS

AMCOT HQ SICILY

29 August 1943

Memorandum to: Col. Seitz

I am told that Lt. Criley, now doing C.A.O. work in Galtanissetta, is an experienced labor officer. Could you use him as such?

C. S. O.

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Subject:- Gen 1 Order No. 2

AMGOT/4007/L

To:- Major Haley,
Municipio,
PALERMO.

30 Aug 1943

Reference your request for 500 additional copies of General Order No. 2, the S.C.A.O., Palermo has received a total of 1291 copies of this General Order and this office has now only about 150 copies left.

Please advise if you require us to have reprints made, or whether those already sent to you are sufficient.

W. CHANLER,
Lt.Col.(AUS),
Chief Legal Officer.

AMGOT HQ.
15 Army Group.

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AMGOT/27 HQ

AMGOT HQ SICILY

29 August 1943

Memorandum for: Major Pearey

AMFA will require five or six 2½-ton trucks for a period of two weeks to distribute currency throughout the Island. How many trucks can be made available by the end of this week for this purpose?

C. S. O.

AMCOT/5058/CS
AMCOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43

Subject: Lapsed Oil

To : S.C.A.C. Catania
ATTENTION: Capt. Liddell

1. Until further instructions the supplies mentioned in your letter CAS/120/CSD, dated 24 August 1943 should be held in the Ammassi. Can you furnish us with information as to whether these supplies are an exportable surplus?

2. Will you contact Lt. Berlizzi who is now attached to the Civil Supply Division, AMCOT Catania, in charge of all exports for the Eastern half of the Island and arrange with him for the exportation of any quantities of the above which is in surplus.

JFL

Charles M. Spofford

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

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JFL

Charles H. Spofford

CHARLES H. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

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SUBJ :- Inspection Termini

S.G.A.O.
Palermo Province.

ANGOT/234/HQ.

ANGOT II.2. SICILIA.

26. AUG. 43.

In accordance with a short inspection yesterday in the direction of Termini, I have made the following notes :

(i) I observed that you have disposed your provincial C.A.Os. and A.G.A.Os. to be in charge, as single officers, of small Districts or Groups of towns, notably Termini has one officer in charge of the commune of Termini only, which is nothing more than a town. I wish to point out to you, as I have to other S.G.A.Os., that I do not consider the policy of District officers being used singly in provinces, it is neither sound or economical. I like C.A.Os. to live in groups of 3 or 4, together with police belonging to the district and to have charge from one centre, by periodical tours, of larger districts. Not only is this better for their moral, in that they can discuss matters and live in a mess, but the use of personnel in this way is also more economical; three officers living together can in practice do much more than three officers living in three different places. The system also allows one officer always to remain at District Headquarters office to deal with correspondence and visitors.

(ii) Arising out of the regrouping into larger districts, I suggest you combine in one district with headquarters at Termini, the locality comprised in the communes of Trabia, Ventriglia, Raucina, Ciminno, Caccamo, Montebonfigliore, Alimusa, Galtavuturo, Sclafani, Cerdà, Sciarra; to this district may be added places on the main road around Alia. This eastern district of your province would then be run from Gelfin or Petralia. Considering the number of officers now engaged in dealing severally with small districts, I have come to the conclusion that you could save on this redistribution alone, about 3 officers. Will you please let me have your proposals on the division of Palermo province into districts on these lines.

(iii) I visited Montebonfigliore where I found I had just missed Capt. Bondi. On examining the local situation I discovered that no less than 600 people are on relief in a commune of 6,000. Furthermore, I found out from the Communal Treasurer that the distinction was being preserved of separation allowances for soldiers' families, poor relief, and refugee relief. Capt. Bondi does not appear to have had the instruction or does not appear to have passed them on to the effect that all relief for whatever purpose is to be based on necessity as public assistance, and is not to take the form of separation allowances etc. Will you please call for a report from Capt. Bondi immediately, and let me have his comments.

(iv) The new Podesta appears to me to be lazy, talkative and probably incompetent. I suggest that his books should be audited, especially in regard to relief payments. I inspected the local prison which was empty, and found it

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(iii) I visited Montemaggiore where I found I had just missed Capt. Bond. On examining the local situation I discovered that no less than 600 people are on relief in a commune of 6,000. Furthermore, I found out from the Communal Treasurer that the distinction was being preserved of separation allowances for soldiers' families, poor relief, and refugee relief. Capt. Bond does not appear to have had the instruction or does not appear to have passed them on to the effect that all relief for whatever purpose is to be based on necessity as public assistance, and is not to take the form of separation allowances etc. Will you please call for a report from Capt. Bond immediately, and let me have his comments.

(iv) The new Polesta appears to me to be lazy, talkative and probably incompetent. I suggest that his books should be audited, especially in regard to relief payments. I inspected the local prison which was empty, and found it in a much better state than I had expected. One cell used as a storehouse should be cleaned out and all the cells whitewashed.

(v) There is a bridge blown between Alimimusa and Cerdà. I told the Sindaco of Montemaggiore that he should arrange with the commune of Alimimusa to metal the by-pass with local labour. This is not a bridge of first priority for repair; the by-pass in wet weather will certainly disappear unless metalled.

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Major-General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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ANGOT FIELD

29 August 1943

CONFIDENTIAL

ROUTINE

A.F.H.Q.

FIFTY YUGO SLAVS NOW CONCENTRATED IN PALERMO IN CAMP UNDER ALLIED CONTROL. PARIN FROM ANGOT 7th AIRB TO AIRB FOR ANG CITE ANGOT 175 PARIN. REFERENCE YOUR 4167 OF 21st AUGUST 1943. ANTICIPATE LIBERATE FURTHER 250 IN FEW DAYS. ESTIMATE SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT FIT AND ABLE TO JOIN ALLIED FORCES. CONSIDER DR. BERTHOLD ANGELOSONS AND HENRIK MAGNE ATTACHE OF YUGO SLAV FOREIGN OFFICE FIT FOR PX WORK IN LONDON OR GATEO.

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ALICOT/5032/0
ALICOT HQ SICILY
30 August 43.

To: Deputy Commissioner Public Safety Division.

1. Reference your letter 28 Aug 43, subject: "Rubber
Hose for Foam Apparatus Palermo Fire Brigade".

2. Have the members of the Palermo Fire Brigade give
us some information as to where this rubber hose was
obtained in the past before we occupied the Island.
This will help us very much, as we have no such supply
at the present time.

J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources Division.

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W. H. H. H.

AMCOT/25A/TH

AMCOT 10 BULLY

23 AUGUST 1943

Subject: Organization of Mess

To : All Concerned

1. The following officers are appointed for the AMCOT Officers' Club in Palestine:

President - Major General Lord Bennett of Rodd, C.O.A.C.
Vice-President - Brigadier General McSherry, D.C.O.A.C.

Mess Officer - Lt. Hancock
Secretary Officer - Lt. Price
Secretary - Lt. M. B. Scott (Acting)

Members of Council - Lt. Col. Menapace
Major Harnford
Capt. McKay
Lt. Becker

2. The following Officers are requested to meet at the Club on Tuesday, 31 August, 1943 at 1300:

Lt. Col. Menapace - Major Harnford - Capt. Harrison -
Capt. McKay - Lt. Becker - Lt. Hancock - Lt. Price

3. They will proceed to elect a Chairman from among the four Members of the Committee, who will act for the President. They will hear reports from Capt. Harrison and Capt. Becker and take over the funds and management of the Club from them. They will decide such other matters as may come before them.

Charles M. Harnford, Lt. Col.

CHARLES M. HARNFORD
Lt. Col., C.O.C.
Chief Staff Officer

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Subject: Administration RESUTIANO.

AMCOE/3/TH.

AMCOE H.Q. SECRET

29 August, 1943.

To: S.C.A.O. Caltanissetta
Trm.

1. This H.Q. has studied the position of Resutiano.
2. It is directed that this town will in future be administered under S.C.A.O. Palermo.

Charles M. Stafford
CHARLES M. STAFFORD,
Lieut-Colonel, G.S.O.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to:- S.C.A.O. Palermo.

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AMCOT/5032/CN
AMCOT EQ 31011X
23 August 43

Memorandum

To: S.C.A.O. Catania
S.C.A.O. Messina

1. S.C.A.O. Messina advises us under cover of 2/1/50 dated 25 Aug. 43 that there is a surplus of meat in the province of Messina.
2. The meat is on sale at the following prices, and if required, it is suggested you approach S.C.A.O. on the matter.

Chumpor cuts	17	Lire per kilo
Medium cuts	24	" "
Lean cuts	28	" "
Officials vary from	7	" to 9 Lire per kilo

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May 1943

Col. F. R. SMITH
Lt. Col. G. S. G.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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To: S.C.A.O. Cuba
S.C.A.O. Mexico

1. S.C.A.O. has advised us under cover of 2/1/57 dated 25 Aug. 43 that there is a surplus of meat in the provinces of Cuba.

2. The meat is on sale at the following prices, and if required, it is suggested you approach S.C.A.O. on the matter.

Chopper Cuts	17 Mins per kilo
Medium Cuts	24 " " "
Best Cuts	28 " " "
Cuts vary from	7 " to 9 Mins per kilo

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Director Civilian Supply
and Resources

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SL TO: ~~Pre~~venant Orders - Officers.

TO: S.C.A.O. Syracuse Province.

By AIR COURIER.

ANGOT/3006/PH.

ANGOT H.Q. SICILY.

29th Aug. 43.

Order Captain Ball 26th August to TIZI OUZOU cancelled.

Order 28th August to 8th Army replaces former.

D.G.C. 3rd
D. GORDON CHEYNE.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

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ALGOT HQ SICILY
25 August 43

Memorandum

To: S.C.A.O. Messina

The bearer of this authorization, Signor Salini, Director of L.N.T., the truck subsidiary of the State Railways being operated under ALGOT supervision, is sent by us for the purpose of seeing what is necessary in order to repair Italian trucks which can be used by ALGOT. If you will give him authorization which will permit him to make an examination of the trucks along the roads he will determine what tools and mechanics should be sent to do the work. They will be sent from Palermo at once, upon his return, with a note to you for the necessary authorization so that they may do their work.

CLAUDE R. MINARD
Capt., C. M. P.
Transportation Officer
Civilian Supply Division

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CLAUDE R. MICHARD
Capt., C. M. P.
Transportation Officer
Civilian Supply Division

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Subject:- Instructions to S.L.Os.

Float
ANGOT/4034/L

29 Aug 1943

To: S.C.A.O., Syracuse.
(attn: 2nd Lieut. Hemmendinger)

Reference your POS/1 dated 26 Aug 1943 the enclosed letter, ANGOT/4033/L dated Aug 1943 a copy of which was sent to you yesterday, gives you authority to refer cases direct to a General Court.

The appointment of Capt. Barron recommended by you is satisfactory.

W. CHANLER,
Lt. Col. (AUS),
Chief Legal Officer.

ANGOT HQ
15 Army Group

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File 209
AMGOT HG., Sicily
August 28, 1943

Subject: Billets

To : G-1, 7th Army

Request that 11 Via Regina Margarita, 2nd floor, City of Palermo, 42.5-47.1, be requisitioned on behalf of the Allied Military Government for Occupied Territory.

2. These premises will be used as quarters for four (4) officers of our staff.

3. Inventory enclosed herewith. All property not actually used will be locked up.

4. (a) The condition of the property is good.
(b) The owner is Cav. Panzera.
(c) The date of occupancy will be August 31, 1943.

AMGOT HG.
15 Army Group

CS
CHARLES SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin. AMGOT FILPOT Date. 26 AUG 43.

Telephone. (Orig. Officer)

Classification ROUTINE Precedence. (Deferred-Routine-Priority)
(Restricted-Confidential-Secret) Urgent

TO:- No. 8 Command Paymaster.
Catania.

144/HQ.

Send McISAAC to report at once to Col. GRAFTY-SMITH with
small supply 3241 and short acquittance rolls (.) To see also
American Finance and report on necessity regular attendance
here (.) ROONEY.

Time Signed. _____

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMGOT FILFOTDate 27 Aug. 43

Telephone _____

Classification SecretPrecedence: URGENT
(Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

TO: MAIN 15 ARMY GROUP

AMGOT/349

PRISONER OF WAR LT PIRRONE ANTONIO (COAST ARTILLERY) HIGHLY ESSENTIAL
ITALIAN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER LEAVING PALERMO TONIGHT ON S.S. ISAAC COLES BOUND FOR
GRAN. FOR MAIN 15 ARMY GROUP FROM RENNEL CITE AMGOT. THIS MAN FORMER ELECTRICAL
ENGINEER PALERMO AND IS INDISPENSABLE FOR THE REHABILITATION OF ELECTRICAL PLANT
HERE. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY HERE IN CRITICAL STATE STRONGLY URGE RETURN AND PAROLE
PIRRONE.

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authenticated by:

Time Signed: _____

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HEADQUARTERS SWEDISH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin ANGOT FILFOTDate 27 August 1943Telephone Classification SECRETPrecedence: OPERATIONAL PRIORITY(Restricted-Confidential-Secret)(Deferred-Routine-
Priority-Urgent)TO: A.F.H.Q.ANGOT/160

NO REPLY YET TO MY L46 OF 26 AUGUST. FOR M.G.S. FOR HEDENHUS FROM RENWELL
CITE ANGOT. IN VIEW OF SHORTNESS OF TIME IF I DO NOT RECEIVE FAVORABLE REPLY
MY SUGGESTION POLSTEN WILL DISPATCH HUME BY AIR SATURDAY AS RECOMMENDED BY YOU.

*Flot*Content and classification
authenticated byTime signed: 02-9*B. J. J. J.*

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SUBJECT: Italian Fire Fighting Service.

AMGOT/1003/PS
AMGOT HQ. Sicily
28 August 1943

TO : A.F.H.Q.
Fire and Civil Defence.

Enclosed is a list of the Italian Fire Brigades with such details as we have been able to obtain.

The second column gives the number of each Corps and the CATEGORY (not COL) to which it belongs.

Thus the Brigades in the 1st. category are:

GENOVA, MILANO, NAPOLI, ROMA, TORINO.

The Sicilian Brigades are not included, but the Sardinian ones are, i.e.

CAGLIARI, SASSARI and NUORO.

RAS/ce

For the Commissioner of Public Safety.

5248

AMGOT FILPOT.

280900B

TROOPERS.

AMGOT/163.

For Civil Affairs (.) 7653 Lieut. G. LEFEBVRE, Gen List now used C7 states
he was promised rank of Captain (.) Was such promise given (.) No vacancy here (.)
Can you employ elsewhere rank Capt (.) No reply received our AMGOT120 of 20 Aug
re Capt. T.W.SMITH.

ls
Routine. 0247

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1794

AMGOT FILPOT

280900B

FILPOT FOR AMGOT

AMGOT/159

Your POS/530 of 21 Aug (.) BORG and RUCK already ordered report EIGHTH ARMY for Region Two (.) BRIGGS posted Region Three and already ordered TIZZI OUZOU by air (.) Confirm execution.

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Not Secret. 0244

SUBJECT: Information

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1780

AMGOT/1017/PS
AMGOT HQ., Sicily
August 26, 1943

TO : Provost Marshal, Seventh Army.

On the 23rd. of August, 1943, I sent you an extract from the daily Carabinieri report dealing with offences by American Army personnel for your information.

In reply the attached papers were sent to me. As I believe the files were forwarded in error, I return them herewith.

RUSSELL A. SNOOK
Lt. Colonel
Public Safety Division
Supt. of Civil Police.

RAS/jaf.

6245

5053
ANGOT/5007/08
ANGOT HQ SICILY
28 August 43.

To:- Map Division,
Engineer Dept.,
Top Floor,
Post Office.

The following road maps are urgently required.
May we please be furnished with them?

ITALIAN ROAD MAPS

Scale: 200,000

No: 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27.

EDG.

L.D. DENEMORE,
Lt. Col., S. C.

Float

6241

Shoat 1747
SUBJECT:- Release of Prisoner.

AMCOT/204/HQ.

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

27. Aug. 43.

To: S.C.A.O. Trapani.

1. Enclosed find papers referring to the case of Doctor Giuseppe Cusenza, of the Italian Veterinary Corps.
2. The Seventh U.S. Army is willing to release this Major on parole if AMCOT so desires.
3. An early investigation and report will be forwarded to this H.Q.

6243

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

H.Q. AMGOT.
8 Via Bari.

Sloub 1746
O
AMGOT/204/HQ.

27. Aug. 43.

Sigra, Matrona Rosa,
Via Noce 134,
PALERMO.

Dear Sigra,

Your letter to the Allied Command Forces, Palermo, has been forwarded to us for appropriate action.

We regret to inform you that your prospective son-in-law, Francesco Pantera, has been evacuated from Sicily. It is, therefore, impossible to release him.

You have our expression of deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

KK 6242
CHARLES M. BROTFORD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

H.Q. AMGOT.
8 Via Bari.

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1745

AMGOT/204/HQ.

27. Aug. 43.

Sigra. Maria Francalanci,
Corso Dutozo 144,
BAGHERIA.

Dear Sigra,

Your letter to the Provost Marshall, Palermo, of 12. Aug. 43,
has been referred to us for appropriate action.

We regret to inform you that your husband was evacuated from
this Island before the parole rulings were evolved. Because of this, it
is impossible to release him.

You have our expression of deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

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CHARLES M. SPOTFORD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

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H.Q. AMGOT.
8 Via Bari.

Float 1744

Banco di Sicilia,
SEDE DI PALERMO.

AMGOT/20/HQ.

26. Aug. 43.

Your letters of 16 and 17 August referring to Captains Oreste Cristini, Leonardo Burzotta, Giuseppe Iagana, have been received and referred to us.

We regret to inform you that these officers cannot be released on parole. It is the policy of the American forces in Sicily that no commissioned officers will be paroled excepting non-combatants, such as Chaplains, Doctors, Veterinaries etc.

We shall be glad to consider other cases of soldiers or non-combatant officers of interest to you.

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CHARLES M. SPENFORD.
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

6240

Float

1725

AMGOT/24/HQ

AMGOT H.Q., SICILY.

27th August 1943.

Subject:- Report on Civil Affairs, Ustica.

To:- Officer Commanding
A.M.E.S. 896 R.A.F.
Ustica.

1. Your report dated 17th August 1943 has been noted and the following action taken.
2. Two Civil Affairs Officers left for Ustica on 25th August 1943.
3. They have taken food, medical supplies, money and returning natives with them.
4. The U.S. Navy will dispatch from Palermo at 1000 hours every Wednesday a water barge containing 200,000 gallons.

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CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
Lieut Colonel G.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

0200

Goat

1724

AMGOT H.Q.

27th August 1943.

Memorandum

To: S.C.A.C. Messina.

Thanks for your letter of 24th August 1943. We can fill your request for the field and also the two tents.

As regards the Chlorine of lime, Col. Cheyne advises that he has none, but has requested Base Alfa to supply it if possible.

In the meantime, he believes it would be best to collect some hay and have a fire.

CHARLES M. SPORFORD
Lieut Colonel C.S.C.
Chief Staff Officer.

0239

ALGOT FILIPOT.

271530B

TROOPERS.

ALGOT/153.

1. For D.C.A. from REMELL(.) Your 51451 of 21/7 (.) Request immediate attention serious position British personnel outside original ALGOT 5070X establishment (.) by 04/55 of 15/7 requested authority creation of Pool 5.2s (.) Your 51451 over one month ago provided early authority (.) On return REMELL from ALGOT he reported creation of Pool (.) M.G.S. A.F.H.Q. now report they are awaiting your authority (.)
2. In meanwhile I have some 30 officers in Sicily and for Region two who are posted (.) These receiving no staff pay or appropriate allowances and in case officers from Mid. East have been posted away from previous units (.)
3. I am also receiving officers suitable officers locally and from you but cannot accept without knowing (a) what is Pool Establishment (b) how many vacancies have been filled (c) by you with drafts (11) by M.G.S. A.F.H.Q. from whom an update obtain any information
4. If as I understand from M.G.S. A.F.H.Q. all officers on original ALGOT and in their hypothetical pools are available to us for future Regions which are to come under my control I suggest I deal with whole matter here (.) But present divided control and bad communications are creating impossible position and will involve much hardship (.) I would also like my authority to cover whole group personnel and future responsibilities clarified.

SI002/153.

1. For D.C.A. from KENNELL(.) Your 5-1451 of 21/7 (.) Request immediate attention serious position British personnel outside original AMER SUGHER establishment (.) by 04/55 of 15/7 requested authority creation of Pool 7.2s (.) Your 21/71 over one month ago provided early authority (.) On return MAXWELL from LORRAINE he reported creation of Pool (.) H.G.S. A.F.H.Q. now report they are emitting your authority (.)
2. In meantime I have now 30 officers in Sicily and for Region two who are wanted (.) These receiving no staff pay or appropriate allowances and in case officers from MIA. East have been posted away from previous units (.)
3. I am also receiving officers suitable officers locally and from you but cannot accept without funding (a) what is Pool Establishment (b) how many vacancies have been filled (4) by you with drafts (11) by H.G.S. A.F.H.Q. from whom can update obtain any information.
4. If as I indicated from H.G.S. A.F.H.Q. all officers on original AMER and in their hypothetical pools are available to us for future Regions which are to come under my control I suggest I deal with whole matter later (.) but present divided control and bad communications are creating impossible position and will involve much hardship (.) I would also like my authority to cover whole group personnel and future responsibilities clarified.

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John Lewis

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ANGOT FILPOT.

TROOPERS

280800B

FILPOT.

ANGOT/157.

For Civil Affairs (.) Particulars 169341 Lt. (T/Capt) W.J. MASKREY, RAOC
received your 122/Ord/1628(A99)(BM158) (.) Believed to have been posted this
HQ as Administrative Captain in response to BM17/3397AGIB of 24 Jul 43 ~~BM17/3397AGIB~~
(no copy received this HQ) (.) No knowledge of this Officer here and no vacancy
on WE (.) Please clarify.

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Routine

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ARMY FORM C.

MESSAGE FORM

Shook
Register No.

Call.

Srl. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

Above this line for Signals use only.

From

ORIGINATOR.

(A) AMECOT PLEPOT

Date-Time of Origin.

230000Z

Office Date Stamp.

For Action.

PLEPOT

To

(W) For Information (INFO).

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR's No.

AMECOT/156

For AMS (.) Dispatch Major LORD BRIDLETON lately Town Major JAMMINE ^{earliest} as possible for interview by Major-General LORD BRIDLETON (.) Inform this H.Q. IMA.

6235

This message may be sent
AS WRITTEN by any means
except

WIRELESS

If liable to be intercepted or
fall into enemy hands this message
must be sent IN CIPHER.Originators Instructions.
Degree of Priority.

THI OR THOR

Signed.

A. L. Davis

Signed.

Secret

TIME CLEARED

PSS/NA/4/43/40,000-AFHQP/203.

ARMY FORM C.

MESSAGE FORM

Shoat
 Register No.

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From		ORIGINATOR.	Date-Time of Origin.	
(A)		AMXOT FILPOT	230300B	
For Action.				
FILPOT				
To		(W) For Information (INFO).		Office Date Stamp.
				Message Instructions
				GR

ORIGINATOR's No.

AMXOT/156

For AMS (.) Despatch Major LORD MIDDLETON lately Town Major ^{earliest} ~~AMXOT~~ ^{only as} possible for interview by Major-General LORD MIDDLELL (.) Inform this H.Q. STA.

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 This message may be sent
 AS WRITTEN by any means
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 If liable to be intercepted or
 fall into enemy hands this message
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 Degree of Priority.

THI or THOR

Signed.

For Lewis
Capl

Signed.

Secret

TIME CLEARED

AMGOT FILPOT

FILPOT FOR AMGOT.

280800B

AMGOT/155

ZERVUDACHI required here immediately (.) Wire ETA

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

OUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of Origin AMCOT FILPOT.

Date: 27 Aug. 43.

Classification SECRET
(Restricted-Confidential-Secret)

Telephone: _____
Precedence URGENT
(Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

To: A.F.H.Q.

AMCOT/161.

YOUR 5507 OF 24 AUGUST AM AWAITING REPLY FOR DISCUSSION (.) SEE MY AMCOT
151 OF 27 AUGUST (.) FROM C.C.A.O.

Time Signed: _____

Content and classification
authenticated by: _____

G.B.
Lt. Col.

0233

*Outgoing Table 516**1769*HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL MESSAGEOUTGOING MESSAGE

Office of origin AMCOT FILPOT Date 28 August 1943
 Telephone _____
 Classification SECRET Precedence: URGENT
 (~~Restricted-Confidential-Secret~~) (Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

TO: A.F.H.Q.

Cable No. AMCOT/164

BIGOT. INFORMATION INDICATES FOOD SITUATION IN REGION TWO WILL BE EXTREMELY SERIOUS. CITE AMCOT CITE MESSAGE FROM RUSSELL. SHALL HAVE TO CALL FORWARD PROMPTLY IMMEDIATELY AFTER D DAY FROM NORTH AFRICA STOCKPILES RESERVED FOR SICILY AND SUCH OF THE STOCKPILES AS HAVE BEEN FORMED BY YOU FOR BAYTOWN PAREN AND MOTHER BAYTOWN PAREN AND AVALANCHA OPERATIONS. LATTER IN MAIL REGARDING STOCKPILE INFORMATION. THIS SIGNAL IS TO REQUEST YOU SECURE COASTER FOR MOVEMENT OF EMERGENCY STORES CIVIL POPULATION FROM PRESENT STOCK SICILY AND NORTH AFRICA STOCKPILES. THIS CRAFT MUST BE ADDITIONAL TO 8TH ARMY SHIPPING REQUIREMENTS WHERE NO REPEAT NO PROVISION FREIGHT CIVILIAN SUPPLIES HAS BEEN MADE.

Content and classification 32
 authenticated by: _____

Time Signed _____

T.F.S.
Lt. Col.

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY - OFFICIAL BUSINESS. *Hoab*

OFFICIAL MESSAGE.

Office of Origin: AMHQT WILPOT.

Date: 27 AUG 43.

Telephone _____

Classification: CLEAR
(Restricted-Confidential-Secret)

Precedence URGENT.
(Deferred-Routine-Priority-Urgent)

To: A.F.H.Q.

AMHQT/162.

In view of much sickness and shortage headquarters and provincial staff
no repeat no visits to AMHQT can be permitted till further notice (.)
Please inform Troopers and Mid East (.) From G.C.A.O.

6231

Time Signed _____

Content and classification
authenticated by: _____

Outgoing Cable File 1770
AMGOT FILPOT. 0

FREEDOM.

28153CB

AMGOT/154

FOR CCAO for MGS (.) Capt. F.H.J. MAXSE evacuated sick to 91 Evacuation Hospital on 17 Aug. (.) He has instructions report to you for disposal (.) I do not consider him suitable for employment as posted (.) Unless he can be used outside AMGOT you inform TROOPERS accordingly and request disposal instructions.

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Route.

SUBJECT: Public Health Reports.

Lead
AMGOT/3012/PH

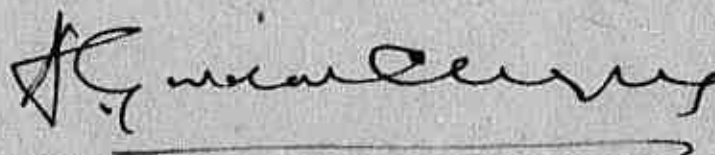
AMGOT H. Q. SICILY.

Major E.B. Johnwick, M.O.
Public Health Officer, Agrigento.
(Through S.C.A.O. Agrigento).

28 Aug 43.

Reference your 15AG/36/OA dated 26 Aug.

The form Mod 16 (Sanita) only is required. This return is
required weekly.



D. GORDON CHEYNE.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

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ANGOT/5011/CS
ANGOT HQ SICILY
27 August 43

Memorandum

To: The Commanding General, 7th U.S. Army
ATTENTION: Ordnance Officer

26- File Copy.

Paragraph 3 of the attached memorandum is forwarded
for your information.

For the Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

JFL

[Signature]
CHARLES N. SPOTFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

Heat

[Signature]

622R

AMEOT/5036/03
AMHOT HQ, STOLLY
26 Aug 45.

Subject:- Bread.

To:- Supply Officer
Thru S.C.A.O., Catania.

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1. Your memorandum of the 16th has some interesting points, some of which have already been brought to my notice from other sources. The breakdown of prices given in the memorandum of the 7th Aug, from wheat to bread, was based on a discussion with disinterested parties held by Majors Chayton and Hancock at Agrigento, and was undoubtedly affected by the situation in that province. At the time it was drafted, Ministry of Agriculture circular letter No. 480 of 11 Oct 42 and such other pertinent documentary evidence had not been seen. It was necessary, as you will be aware, that urgent action should be taken in fixing grain and bread prices, and it was decided after consideration that these should be fixed at the same levels throughout the Island. It is therefore obvious that if costs of production vary in different provinces, then the subsidy must be altered if grain and bread prices are fixed. Permission is given to proceed on this basis pending the C.C.A.O.s ruling on the matter.

2. I am not convinced that the differences in the cost of baking, set out in letter No. 480, are well founded and enquiries are being made to decide what are reasonable costs for each province. If you have any figures for your province in connection with bakers' costs, perhaps you will let me have them. I should like to see your figures for the breakdown in your province from wheat to bread prices.

3. With regard to the question of bread yields relative to flour used, calculation of costs should be based on an increase of 25%. It is for the bakers to arrange for the production of the 450 gr. loaf if they desire to avoid the loss in yield.

4. The general division of prices as between hard and soft wheats was not intended to eliminate valuation controls previously exercised by the Consorzi. The bonuses and deductions previously in force and fixed according to schedule in possession of the Consorzi, for purity and specific gravity, must be continued.

5. The operation of mills by the Consorzi is not considered desirable, and should cease as soon as possible. The Consorzi have already considerable essential functions, and these should not be added to unnecessarily.

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6. Prices for other produce subject to amassing will be fixed as soon as possible.

7. Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum dated 19 Aug 43, which you will probably have seen, dealing with the question of the reconstruction of Agricultural organization in Sicily. Opinions so far received suggest that the final structure will be along the lines set out in this memorandum. Any changes you may make in the interval should therefore have this eventual set up in mind.

EDG.

J. F. R. SEITZ
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Director Civilian Supply
and Resources.

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Subject: Allied Military Courts in SicilyAMCOT/4033/1AMCOT H.Q. SICILY27 August 43.General Officer Commanding-in-Chief
15 Army Group.

1. While it is early to submit to you a general review of the functioning of Allied Military Courts in Sicily, a few notes on the subject may be of sufficient interest to you to warrant their being passed on to Military Government Section, A.P.H.Q., for which purpose I enclose spare copies.

2. From the 12th to the 21st August, Superior and Summary Courts have dealt with in all 230 cases, of which 12 in Superior courts. In these cases eleven were found guilty in Superior court and one acquitted, 237 were found guilty in Summary courts, 14 acquitted and 15 remanded to Higher courts. Since the 21st August a number of other cases have been heard.

A General court was convened to deal with two cases in Syracuse Province, under authority granted by you to me under your hand and dated July 1943. These two cases included one of concealment of arms and one of wire cutting. The person accused of improperly concealing arms was, after two days trial found "not guilty". The case of wire cutting resulted in a conviction and a sentence of 20 years. The evidence tended to show that the cutting of wire was not due to sabotage but due to a desire to procure wire for agricultural purposes. The General Court was composed of 3 AMCOT officers and 2 officers nominated by Syracuse Area, all of them having judicial experience. The trials were conducted in public and in each case the defendants were represented by Counsel, since both the cases were liable to attract the death penalty.

3. I have signed orders convening a General Court in the province of Agrigento to try eight pending cases. I have also signed an order empowering the constitution of General courts in provinces where no cases have been notified as pending, but which are being visited by the officer appointed to preside over the General court in Agrigento Province.

4. One case of inhabitants being in possession of allegedly looted American Army stores and brought before a Superior Court at the request of the local tactical commander ended in a verdict of "not guilty", it having been ascertained that the stores (rations) had been presented to the local inhabitants by an American Officer as a reward for work done in connection with the unloading of a beached and bombed allied vessel.

A number of cases of curfew infringements have been dismissed without trial after the offenders had been 2 or 3 days in prison awaiting charges.

5. Since the date to which the summary of cases in paragraph 2 refers, there have been in Palermo City a number of cases of trading in the black market, which have resulted in convictions and sentences of up to 1 year and 9 months, with or without substantial fines.

Penwell
Major-General,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

785015

SUBJECT: Medical Treatment - PW on Parole.

Major E.B. Johnzick, M.C.,
Public Health Officer, Agrigento Province.
(Through S.C.A.O. Agrigento).

5 Local
AMOT/0019/PL

AMOT H.Q. SICILY.

26 Aug. 43.

Your memo dated 23 Aug 43.

1. PW on parole are to be treated as ordinary civilians.
2. When hospitals in Agrigento Province are full a report should be sent to this Headquarters and further hospital accommodation will have to be found in other provinces if necessary.

D. Gordon O'Brien

D. GORDON O'BRIEN,
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

6224

SUBJECT: Discontinuance of Report Form.

AMCOT/5012/FL *Flork*

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY.

Major E. B. Johnrick, M.C.
Public Health Officer, Agrigento.
(Through S. G. A. O. Agrigento).

28 Aug 43.

Your memo concerning the discontinuance of report form for abortions is acknowledged.

There is no objection to the discontinuance of the form in question in so far as the province of Agrigento is concerned.

ASC

A. GORDON CHEVRE.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785015

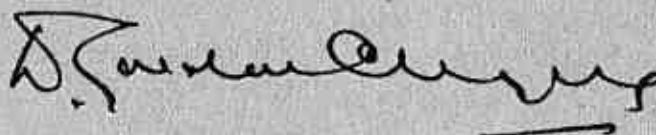
SUBJECT: Inventory of contents of provincial drug stores.

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AMCOT/3002/PH

Major E. B. Johnson, M.C.,
Public Health Officer, Agrigento.
(Through S. G. A. O. Agrigento).

AMCOT H.C. SICILY.
28 Aug. 43.

Thanks. Your 15AG/36/OA dated 26 Aug reference the above is acknowledged with



D. GORDON CHENNEL.
Colonel.
Director of Public Health.

785015

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AMGOT/3018/PH

AMGOT FC SICILY

TO: S.C.A.O., Caltanissetta.

27 AUGUST 1943

The payment of the undermentioned staff now employed at AMGOT HQ., Medical Store Depot at Caltanissetta should under our instruction from C.F.O. AMGOT, be made by C.A.O. Caltanissetta.

Will you kindly issue necessary instructions.

(a) Major Vitale, Italian Medical Corp., a prisoner of war on parole.

This officer's pay was 4700 lire per month. It is considered that this pay rate should continue.

(B) 1 Typist--60 lire per day.

(c) 2 Storemen--each 80 lire per day.

D. GORDON CHEYNE,
Col., RAMC.
DIRECTOR PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, AMGOT.

Subject:- Proclamations and General Orders

Float
AMGOT/4006/L

(Copy for File AMGOT/4007/L)

28 Aug 1943

To:- S.C.A.O. ENNA.

Reference your POS/14 dated 23 Aug 43, 50 copies each of all Proclamations and General Orders No. 1 and 2 were forwarded to you on 25 Aug 43 under reference AMGOT/4006/L.

We are in very short supply of some Proclamations and General Orders and it is hoped that those which have been sent to you will be sufficient. If there are any particular Proclamations of which you require additional copies, please notify us, and we will, if possible, forward them to you.

W. CHANLER.

Lt.Col.(AUS).
Chief Legal Officer.

AMGOT HQ.
15 Army Group.

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